號一月四英港香 PRICE \$21 PER MONTH 四拜禮 HONGKONG, THURSDAY, APRIL 1st, 1886. 日七十二月二年二十緒光 號九十百八千八第 No. 8819 NEWY ADVERTISEMENTS ADVERTISEMENTS. INTIMATIONS. AUCTIONS. BANKS. INTIMATIONS. SHIPPING. NOTICE. CHIARINI'S ITALIAN ROYAL PUBLIC AUCTION T ONGRONG &SHANGHAIBANKING NEW GOODS! ARRIVALS. TTHE SUBSCRIPTION LISTS for the CORPORATION. CIR CUUS larch 30, MERIONETHSHIRE. British steamer, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c. TESTIMONIAL TO MR. JACKSON GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. 1,245, W. H. Dutton, Saigon: 25th March, NEW, GO 0 D S !! are lying in the Chubs and at the principal Stores in the Colony. THE Undersigned has received instructions THE Public are hereby notified that FIELD. RESERVE FUND 4,500,000 NEW GOODS!!! Rice and Paddy.-ADAMSON, BELL & Co. FIRING will take place at MOUNT MENAGERIE OF TRAINED ANIMALS, J. MELVILLE MATSON, from the Rev. Mr. W. JENNINGS, to Sell RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION OF } Murch 31, DANUBE, British steamer, 561, W. 500,000. by Public Auction, on DAVIS, between 2 and 6 P.M. TO-MORROW Hon. Secretary. Ex "GLENGARRY." DIVIDENDS H. Wotton, Koh-si-chang 21st March, Rico WILL EXHIBIT AT HONGRONG, MONDAY, Hongkong, 1st April, 1886. . (FRIDAY), the 2nd April. RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO-7,500,000. the 5th April, 1886, at 2 P.M., at his Residence. FREDERICK STEWART. and General.—YUEN FAT HONG. Commencing on or about CHRISTY'S FELT HATS. PRIETORS THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, No. 6, West Terrace. - Acting Colonial Secretary. March 31, THALES, British steamer, 820, Po-SATURDAY. LIMITED. THE WHOLE OF HIS COURT OF DIRECTORS:-Colonial Secretary's Office, cock, Taiwanfoo 28th March, Amoy 29th HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., TRAVELLING TRUNKS. Hongkong, 30th March, 1886. Chairman-A. McIver, Esq. · the 3rd April, 1886. CHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that and Swatow 30th, General. - Douglas La-Deputy Chairman-M. GROTE, Esq. Comprising: on Presentation of their SHARE CERTIFI-DRAWING ROOMSUITE. CRETONNE C. D. Bottomley, Esq. Hon. W. Keswick.
H. L. Dalrymple, Esq. A. P. McEwen, Esq.
H. Hoppins, Esq. Hon. F. D. Sassoon. SOLID-LEATHER PORTMANTEAUS. PRAIR & Co. UNDER VAST WATERFROOF PAVILIONS. CATES at the Head Office of this Company, New HANGINGS, MARBLE TOP BLACK. THEATRE March 31, Tarros, German steamer, 1,142, A ONES will be issued in EXCHANGE in accordance SOLID-LEATHER WRITING-FOLIOS. WOOD TABLES, BLACK & GOLD MIRROR SEATING ACCOMMODATION FOR Bleichen, Saigon 15th March, Rice.-ED. with the Resolution recently passed.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., CITY HALL. FENDERS and IRONS, TEA POYS, CAR E. H. M. Huntington Esq. 5.000 SPECTATORS. SCHELLHASS & Co. CHIEF MANAGER. SILK UMBRELLAS. HONGKONG AMATEUR Hongkong-THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. EXTENSION DINING TABLE, DINING THE General Managers. · This World-famed and ever-popular March 31, SIGNAL, German steamer, 385, C. A. Hongkong, 1st April, 1886. "PERFECT" TENNIS BALLS. DRAMATIC CLUB CHAIRS with LEATHER CUSHIONS, SIDE MANAGER: MENAGERIE AND CIRCUS Hundswadt, Quinhon 20th March, Tourance Shanghai-Ewen Cameron, Esq. BOARD, PLATED, GLASS & CROCKERY have the honour to aunonnee that the NOTICE. 24th, Pakhoi 27th, and Hoihow 30th, Gene-LONDON BANKERS-LONDON & COUNTY BANK WIMBLEDON TENNIS BALLS. WARE, CUTLERY, BOOK CASES, PIC IS FAVOURABLY KNOWN ALL OVER THE THIRD PERFORMANCE OF THE ral.—Stemssen & Co. TURES, OXFORD READING TABLE. Established ourselves here as GENERAL SEASON. NEW MEERSCHAUM PIPES. HABITABLE WOELD, HONGKONG-INTEREST ALLOWED. WARDROBE with FULL LENGTH MIRROR, March 31, Amov. British steamer, 815. Köhler. will take place on On Current Deposit Account at the rate IRON BEDSTEADS and BEDDING, Whampon 31st March, General.—SIEMS-And will give a Series of Performances of a very | Merchants and Commission Agents under BRIAR-ROOT PIPES. 2 per cent, per Annum on the daily balance. DNESDAY, LADIES'DRESSING & TOLLETSTANDS, WASHING STANDS & SETS, COUCHES. interesting nature composed of DIVERS the Style of Firm of SCHEELE & Co. Or Fixed Deposits:-ALFRED SCHEELE, EQUESTRIAN, GYMNASTIC, ACROBATIC, EQUIthe 7th April, 1886, at 9 P.M., LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. For 3 months 3 per Cents per Aunum. CHAIRS, WARDROBES, SHANGHAI CARL RUSCH, LIBRISTIC, and NOVEL ARENIC SPORTS of For 6 months 4 per Cent. per Annum. CLEARANCES. · when will be produced. BATHS, &c., &c. RICHARD ABESSER, Hongkong, 3rd March, 1886. For 12 months 5 per Cent. per Annum. various descriptions, performed by Clever AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE. GUSTAVATZENBOTH. A COMEDY BY J. PALGRAVE SIMPSON, BOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Artistes both Ladies and Gontlemen. No. 2, Stanley Street. A FINE-TONED PIANO, by CHICKERING 31st MARCH. BREWER has - just received ENTITLED CEEDITS granted on approved Securities, and Hongkong, 1st April, 1886 Gentitude, British str., for Kuchinetzu. "HEADS OB TAILS," every description of Banking and Exchange CATALOGUES will be issued provious to the A costly Zoological collection of & A Variety of Photo Albumafor Cabinets only Resemond, British str., for Heihow. THE KORSCHELT ICE DEPOT. usiness transacted. Sale, and the above will be on view of SATUR-AND THE SUCCESSFUL FARCE A Large Selection of New Photo Frames. DEAFTS granted on London, and the chi Messer. British str., for Saigon. FORMIDABLE ANIMALS-DAY NEXT. "CHISELLING." WE Have This Day been appointed AGENTS for the KORSCHELT ICE commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, Charming French Musical Dolls: TERMS OF SALE .- As Customary. Fidelio, German str., for Bangkok. AFRICAN LIONS, CHYLON ELEPHANTS, America, China and Japan. G. R. LAMMERT. The proceeds of this Performance will be Anton, Gorman str., for Hoihow. New Children's Picture Books. DEPOT and are now ready to SUPPLY ICE T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. ROYAL BENGAL TIGERS, CYNOCEPHALUS Sets of Bezique, Playing Cards and Whist devoted to PUBLIC CHARITY. Kuongsang, British str., for Tientsin. from our Depôt, Pedder's Street (near the Hongkong, 27th February, 1886 PORCARIA, BOA CONSTRUCTOR, &c., &c., &c. And the Finest collection of Houses and Hongkong Horel, in quantities from 5 lbs. Hongkong, 30th March, 1886. TICKETS, \$2 each may be obtained from Winggang, British str. for-Singapore Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co. on and after and upwards, at the rate of ONE CENT per 1b. IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NOTICE. The 100-Copy Copying Ink-Gives 100 good Rich. Parsons, Amr. ship, for Iloilo. PONIES from all parts of the World, educated offering special arrangement to large consumers. FRIDAY, 2nd April, at 9 A.M. HONGKONG. Copies in the Ordinary Copying Press from DULES OF THE HONGKONG The Blocks of Ice weighing up to 700lbs. each to perfection, forming an excellent place of H. M. THOMSETT, DEPARTURES. SAVINGS BANK. ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. are specially adapted for shipping purposes.

F. BLACKHEAD & Co., RECREATION and INSTRUCTIVE PASTIME. one writing. Hon. Secretary. March 31; CRUSADER, British str., for Haiphong. Modern Ship-building and the Men's engaged SUIT No. 233 of 1882, Hongkong, 29th March, 1886, 1.—The business of the above Bank will be Murch 31, GREYHOUND, British steamer, for SIGNOR CHIARINI Agents. conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Hongkong, 1st April, 1886. THE HONGKONG, CANTON, AND FINO be Sold Pursuant to an Order of the has the honour to announce that this will be the Holhow. Twenty Years with the Indicator, by Pray. Banking Corporation, on their premises in Surreme Court made in the Suit of TSO MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY. March 31, TANTALLON, British str., for Saigon. Hongkong, Business hours on week-days, 10 Morris's Golden Flake Tobacco. FIRST APPEARANCE TSUN SHOW versus TSO LAI TONG and LIMITED. March 31 McNEAR, American ship, for Cebu. Will's Three Castles Tobacco. to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1. YIP SUM TIN, on the 16th February, 1886, in Hongkong of NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING OF THE March 31, EMBLEM, British bark, for Manila. 2.-Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at HONGKONG, CHINA. Now Maps of China, Japan, The World. with the approval of the CHIEF JUSTICE, by one time will not be received. No depositor A DEN OF ROYAL AFRICAN LIONS MR. J. M. ARMSTRONG, the person appoint-March 31, Marion, Amr. corv., for Shanghai. New Edition Unrivolled Atlas 33 Maps and WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACT. may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year. SHAREHOLDERS of the above named Comed by the said Court, on the 7th April, 1886. March 31, Mosser, British str., for Saigon. To behold this Sensational Feature alone is Index, \$1.35. 3.-Depositors in the Savings Bank having pany will be held at the COMPANY'S OFACE, LOT 1.-All those Pieces or Parcels of March 31, Kwongsang, British str., for Tien-New Men's Boots and Shoos. NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. worth the Price of Admission. \$100 or more at their credit may at their option No. 7, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hong-GROUND Situate at Victoria and Regis-New Ladies' Boots and Shoes. transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shangkong, on SATURDAY, the Third day of April, tered in the Land Office as INLAND LO ENDERS are invited from Persons hai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 1886, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of W. BREWER, Queen's Road. For Particulars see future announcements. March 31, Wingsang, British str., for Calcutta. No. 37 and INLAND LOT No. 518. Todesirous of CONTRACTING for the passing Special Resolutions enabling the 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest. UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL. COMPLETION of the WORKS-of-FORTIgether with the Messuages and Buildings Directors to transfer part of the Reserve Fund 4.—Interest at the rate of 31 per cent. per FRANK G. WILSON, | L. MAYA, PASSENGERS. FICATION at Belchen's Batteries and now or formerly known as Nos. 192, 194 to the Capital Account and to amend the TZ ELLY AND WALSH, LIMITED. annum will be allowed to Depositors on their Secretary. 196; 198, 200, 203, 204, 206, 208, 210 and Advance Agent. FLY POINT. ARRIVED. Articles of Association by striking out Articles daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis The Contract to be based on the WAR DE-212, Qareen's Road West, Nos. 202, 204, 206, Hongkong, 1st April, 1885. Per Tritos, str., from Saigon .- 35 Chinese. Nos. 15, 20, 31 and 85, and Nos. 122 to 127 Customs List of Lights, Buoys and Beacohs PARTMENT Schedule of Prices for Artificers' 208, 210 and 212 having recently been burnt inclusive of the Articles of Association and Per Thales, str., from Taiwanfoo, &c .- Mr. with a Pass-Book, which must be presented with on the China Coast, 1886. Work at present applicable to the Station.

The Printed Schedule, with Forms of Conand No. 200 damaged by fire. substituting in lieu thereof Articles providing Vaughan, and 49 Chinese. Shanghai Nautical Pocket Manual, 1886. each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must The whole Premises are held for the residue not make any entries themselves in their Passfor the sub-division of the existing Shares of Per Signal, str., from Quinhon, &c. 32 Chi-Whitaker's Almanack, 1886. THEATRE now to come and unexpired of two several terms truct and Tender, and any further information Books, but should send them to be written up \$100 of the said Company and for the payment Peking Gazette, 1884. . . necessary, may be obtained by application to the of 999 Years granted by two several Indentures HALL. of Dividend and Bonus and for the formation of Dollars and Sterling Exchange Tables, 3s. at least twice a year, about the beginning of of Crown Leasa of the said Lots respectively. GOVERNMENT BURVEYOR, ROYAL ENGINEER January and beginning of July a Reserve Fund for the equalization or payment REPURTS. MANAGEE NEIL O'BRIEN. 3s. 6d.OFFICE, Queen's Road, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., any Week Day. Annual Crown Rent \$103.19 and \$16.32. or partial payment of Dividend. -The British stenmer Merionethshire reports 6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Giles' Glossary of Reference on subjects LOT 2.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND Bank if marked On Hondhong SAVINGS BANK connected with the Far East-Now and Dated the 19th day of March, 1886. strong monsoon and high sea with dull, cloudy A sum of \$5 will be charged for each Copy of Situate at Victoria, and Registered in the Business is forwarded free by the various By Order of the Board of Directors. HISEXCELLENCY THE OFFICERADMINISTERIA the Schedule, which amount will be refunded on Land Office as Remaining Portion of IN-British Post Offices in Hongkong and China Pirv's le Saint Edit.—Reduced to \$3. -: T. ARNOLD, THE GOVERNMENT. the return of the same clean and uninjured to the LAND LOT No. 453. Together with the 609 7.-Withdrawals may be made on demand, Particulars of Marine Engines, Boilers, &c. The British steamer Danube reports left Koh-Secretary. THE HON. W. H. MARSH, C.M.G. ROYAL ENGINEER OFFICE within One Month Deschevren's Typhoons of Chinese Seas, dur-Messuages known as Nos. 262 and 264, but the personal attendance of the Depositor or si-chang on the 21st inst., and experienced light of the date of issue. ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK S.E. to E. winds to Pulo Condore; thence to his duly appointed Agent, and the production of Queen's Road West, and No. 29, First Tenders to be addressed up to 12 O'CLOCK New Lot of French Novels. Ladrones strong monsoon and high confused sea his Pass-Book are necessary. COMPANY, LIMITED. Noon, on THURSDAY, 8th April, 1886, to the The whole of the Premises are held for the TASCOTTE OPERA and heavy casterly swell; thence to port mode-For the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank-Hongkong Almanack, 1886. SENIOR COMMISSARIAT OFFICER, Hongkong, NOTICE is hereby given that SHARE-HOLDERS ONLY whose names shall appear rately frash and thick misty weather and rain. residue of a term of 999 Years. ING CORPORATION. Duke's Every Day Life in China. marked on the outside of the Envelope-" TEN-Annual Crown Rent \$34 half of which is pay-Onida's New Novel-Othmar-Cheap Ed. T. JACKSON, Passed the Co.'s str. Mongkut off Cape Padaran. DER FOR WORK AT BELCHER'S AND FLY POINT in the Company's Register on the 5th day of able by the Owner of Section A of the said Lot. Chief Manager. Hinde's Patent Curling Pins. SATURDAY, BATTERIES." The British steamer Thales reports from Tai The Premises will be sold subject to a Lease April next, shall be entitled to receive pro rata. Hengkong, 8th May, 1885. New Albams for Mounting Photographs. the 3rd April, 1886. The Secretary of State for War does not bind waufoo to Amov had fresh N.E. wind and cloudy for a year at a mouthly Rental of \$125 and the New Issue of Shares sanctioned by and in Cheap Four-blade Knives 50 Conts each. himself to accept the lowest or any Tender. weather. From Amoy to Swatow and Swatow accordance with the Special Resolution confirmed New Stock of Opera, Field, and Marine FITHE NEW ORIENTAL BANK COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT EDMOND WALKER, to port light northerly wind and dull, hazy wea-LIOT 3.-All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND THIS DAY. CORPORATION, LIMITED. ther. Latter part foggy weather. In Amoy Colonel, C.R.E. MR. VERNON REID. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company Situate at Victoria, and Registered in the Jeffries' Tennis Bats, Single and Double str. Cheang Hock Kinn. In Swatow strs. Pe-Royal Engineer Office, will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 10th day Land Office as INLAND LOT No. 327 FIRST PRODUCTION OF SIE JULIUS BENEDICT'S Hougkong, 30th March, 1886. chili, Lecsany, Independent, Cicero, and Mene-Champion Tennis Balls—Seamless Balls. Together with the Buildings and Erections of April, both days inclusive. BEAUTIFUL ROMANTIC OPERA IN 3 ACTS, By Order of the Board of Directors. DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, Complete Sets of Lawn Tennis. thereon known as No. 58. Jerdine Bazasr. Registered Qffice, 40, THREADNEEDLE STREET, D. GILLIES, Very Strong Cash Boxes with Bramah Locks. The Premises are held for the residue of a LIMITED. "THE LILY OF KILLARNEY," SHANGHAI SHIPPING. KELLY & WALSH, LD., HONGKONG. Secretary. erm of 75 years from the 7th day of June, 1847 Hongkong, 18th March, 1886. FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAMSUI. Annual Crown Rent \$16. BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN "THE COLLEEN BAWN." FITHE Company's Steamship Lots 1 and 2 will be sold on the respective AND THE COLONIES. A FONG. PHOTOGRAPHER Premises, Lot 1 at 30'CLOCK, Lot 2 immediately HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING "FORMOSA." THE BANK receives money on Deposit. after the Sale of Let 1, and Lot 8 at the Rooms CORPORATION. HARDBESS CREGAN..... Mr. VERNON Reid. STUDIO, ICE HOUSE LANE, Captain S. Ashton, will be despatched for the Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange, issues of the Auctioneer, Queen's Road, at the Close of MYLES NA COPPALEENMT. WM. WALSHE. TOTICE is hereby given that the Under-BEHIND NEW OBJECTAL BANK, above Ports TO-DAY, the 1st April, at Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, the Sale of Let 2. DANNY MANN Mr. EDWARD FARLEY. mentioned SHARE CERTIFICATES, Viz.:-Hongkong. and Transacts Banking and Agency Business | Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be NINE A.M., instead of aspreviously advertised. SQUIRE CORRIGAN Mr. CHAS. A. TYRRELL Has a LARGER, CHOICER, and more COMPLETE COLLECTION of VIEWS, than any other generally on terms to be had on application. No. B 163, dated 8th October, 1884-5 Shares . For Freight or Passage, apply to FATHER TOMMr. NEIL O'BRIEN. numbered 50973/50977 in the name of J. RE-DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., CREASY EWENS. BERTIE O'MORE Mr. ERSKINE SCOTT. in the Empire, the Copies of which are only APPROVED CLAIMS on the ORIENTAL GINALD HARDING of Amoy. General Managers. ANN CHUTE Miss FLORENCE SEYMOUL Solicitor, to be purchased at his Studio or Messrs. No. B 849, dated 18th January, 1886=30 BANK CORPORATION, in Liquidation, or the Hongkong, 31st March, 1886. No. 45, Queen's Road; MRS. CREGAN Miss CARRIE HUBERT. KELLY & WALSH'S Store. BALANCES of such: Claims purchased. Shares, numbered 39,101/18-18 Shares ; 4810/11 DENNYS & MOSSOP. SHEELAHMiss STELLA. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. IVORY MINIATURES of Superior Excellence .-BY AN IMMEDIATE PAYMENT IN CASH of =2 Shares; 11825/29=5 Shares; and 21667/71= Solicitors, and High Finish, painted under careful not less than 90 per cent. for the whole 5 Shares, in the name of JOHN GITTINS of No. 43, Queen's Road; EILY O'CONNOR (The) Miss EVA DAVENPORT FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ-CANAL. Supervision. Foochow, HAVE BEEN LOST, and should THE Company's Steamship Colleon Bawn) INSTANTANEOUS VIEWS, GROUPS and POR--AT 100 PER CENT., payment being made in fully paid Scrip of the Corporation's St. the same not be produced before the 1st day of of the Auctioneer at TRAFTS of different sizes taken daily. April next, NEW CERTIFICATES will be issued CONDUCTOR ... Signer M. A. VALENZA. "MENELAUS." No. 49, Queen's Road. Perpetual Debenture Stock, carrying into the said J. REGINALD HARDING and Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above Dated this 19th day of March, 1886. terest from date of issue, and exchangeable IN THE SUPREME COURT OF JOHN GITTINS respectively, and no trans-TO-MORROW, the 2nd April, at DAYLIGHT. By kind Permission of Colonel Foster and HONGKONG. for Stock Warrants of \$100 with Hulfnotion taking place under the aforesaid Certi PUBLIC AUCTION. For Preight or Passage, apply to OFFICERS, THE BAND OF THE 5STH REGT. WILL yearly Interest Coupons attached, on the ficates B 163 and B 849 with be recognized by BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. play Appropriate Selections during the Evening. AT THE OFFICES OF Scrip being made up to any even multiple IN BANKRUPTCY. this Corporation. Hongkong, 31st March, 1886. MA ESSES. DAVID SASSOON, SONS & FOR THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING Doors Open at 8.30. Overture at 9 precisely N THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN HOLDERS of this Stock incur no liability FOR HOIHOW, SINCAPORE, AND COMPANY, on CORPORATION. CARDNO COUPER, formerly of Wham-T. JACKSON,

March-18, Moncoacy, Amr. corv., from Tientsin. 18, Velox, German str., from Taiwanfoo. 18. Shangbai, British str., from Hankow. 18, Rambler, British s.-v., from Kushan Islds. 18, Ingeborg, British str., from Nagasaki. 18. Pao Hua, British str., from Henkow. 18. Ingo, German str., from Nagasaki. 18. Tokio Mara, Japanese str., from Japan. 18. Elsa, German str., from Tientsin. 18. Peking, British str., from Hongkong. 19, Ichang, British str., from Ningpo. 19, Nierstein, German str., from Nagasati." 19, Yuen Wo. British str., from Hankow. 19. Glenfinlas, British str., from Nagasaki. 19. Dorothy, British bark, from Hakodate. 19. Kung Wo. British str., from Hankow. 19, Norway, Norwegian bark, from Singapore 19. Tientsin, British str., from Tientsin.

19. Yung-ching, Chinese str., from Tientsin. 20, Hever, German str., from Nagasaki. 20. Kiang-teen, Chinese str., from Ningpo. 20. Marcia, British str., from Hongkong. 20. Kiang-foo, Chinese str., from Hankow. 20, Activa, German str., from Nagasaki. 20, Glenroy, British str., from London. 20, Belted Will, Swedish bark, from Sydney. 20. Yehsin, Chinese steamer, from Tientsin. 21. Geo. Skolfield, American sch., from N. York. 21. Ichang. British str., from Ningpo. 21. Iduna. German steamer, from Ningpo. 21, Pekin, British str., from Hankow. 21. Wandorer, Brit. sloop, from P. Hamilton. 21, E. T. Crowell, Amr. bq., from Philadelphia. 22. El Dorado, British str., from Tientsin. 22. Chin-tung, Chinese str., from Tientsin. 22, Kinng-piau, Chinese str., from Chinkiang.

22, Taiwo, British str., from Hankow.

22 Baikal Russian str., from Nagasaki.

22. Wayles, Chinese str., from Yangtsze Ports. DEPARTURES. 18. Africa, British bark, for Valparaiso. 18. Kumasaka Maru, Jap. bark, for Nagasaki. 18, Haeshin, Chinese str., for Tientsin. 18. Chungking, British str., for Tientsin. 18, Deucalion, British str., for London. 18, Ningpo, British str., for Hongkong. 18. W. C. de Vries, British str., for Hafikow. 18. Saghalien, French stoomer, for Hengkong. 18. Fuh Wo. British str., for Hankow. 18, Kiang-teen, Chinese str., for Ningpo. 18, Djigit, Russian cruiser, for Japan. 19, Bin Nanzing, British str., for Foochow. 19, Paking, British str., for Hongkong. 19. Kwongsang, British str., for Swatow. 19, Kiang-yung, Chinese str., for Hankow. 19, Kung-pai. Chinese str., for Tientsin. 19 Pautah, Chinese str., for Tientsin. 19. Kutsang, British str., for Hongkong 19. Wenchow, British str., for Chefoo. 19, Ichang, British str., for Ningpo.

19. Prinz Friedrich Carl, German steamer for New York. 19. Lido, British str., for Amoy. -9. Monocacy, American corv., for Canton. 20. Shanghai, British str., for Hankow. 20. Geo. R. Skelfield, Am. sch., for Nagasaki 20. Fushin, Chinese str., for Hougkong. 20. Poo-chi, Chinese str., for Tientsin. 20. Elsa, German steamer, for Tientsin. 20, Pao Hua, British str., for Hankow. 20. Hue-ting, Chinese str., for Chefoo. 20, Kiangteen, Chinese str., for Ningpo. 21, Ingo, German steamer, for Nagasaki. 21, Chi-yuen, Chinese str., for Tieutsiu. 21, Yuen-wo, British str., for Hankow. 21, Ingeborg, British str., for Nagasaki. 21. Fuyew, Chinese str., for Foothow 21, Marcia, British str., for Chinkiang.

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J. B. WHITE & BROS. SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA.

110 RTLAND CEMENT. Trade Mark. HOLLIDAY WISE & Co. Hongkong, 11th April, 1883.

pos in the Empire of Chins, but late of CRAIGIEBUCKLER, ABERDEEN, Scotland in Great, Britain, who was carrying on Business at Whampoa aforesaid in the year 1849 as a Ship-builder and who was adjudicated on Bankrupt on the 25th January,

OTICE is hereby given that a MEETING OF CREDITORS of the above Estate will be held by ALFRED GASCOYNE WISE, the Acting Registrar, of the said Court, on MON- TIME LIQUIDATORS are prepared to DAY, the 12th day of April, 1886, at 11 o'clock | receive Tendens for the purchase of the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING THE PLANOFORTE AND MUSIC WAREHOUSE, IN THE FORENOON, at his Chamber in the LAND, BUILDINGS, MACHINERY, and

Supreme Court House. The said Alfred GASCOYNE WISE is the REFINING COMPANY. Official Assignee in the Bankruptcy and All Tenders should be enclosed in an Envelope Messieurs Wotton & Deacon are the Selicitors endorsed "TENDER FOR PURCHASE OF LEE appointed ACTING CHIEF MANAGER of the Acting for the Estate. At the said Meeting the Acting Registrar | LEE YUEN SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, and | By Order of the Board of Directors,

will receive Proofs of the Debts of the Creditors. must be placed in the hands of C. EWENS, come in and prove their Debts and make Claim to \$20,000, before 3 o'clock, on WEDNESDAY. the sum of \$504.12 in Court standing to the the 21st day of April, 1886. credit of the said Estate the said Bankrupt will apply to the Court for the payment out to him | 3 o'clock on the 21st'day of April. of the said sum. Dated this 27th day of March, 1886. WOTTON & DEACON,

35, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

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Douglas S. S. Co. Miscellaneous Coast

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PLAN OF THE CITY-OF CANTON. Plan of Foreign Concessions, Shanghai. PLAN OF YOKOHAMA. PLAN OF MANILA. Plan of Saigon. Plan of Town and Environs of Singapore. Plan of George Town, Penang.

Among the other contents of the book are-An Anglo-Chinese Calendar, Meantime of Sunrise and Sunset. Mean of Barometer and Thermometer, Rainfall, Eclipses, Festivals, &c. A full Chronology of remarkable events since the advent of foreigners to China and Japan. A description of the Festivals, Fasts, &c. Jews, &c., with the days on which they fall. Comparative Tables of Money, Weights, &c. The Hongkony Postal Guide for 1886. Arrivale and Departures of Mails and Parcel time. But, having some idea that many of Point, sixty miles from Kobe, arrived safely in Post at and from London and Hongkong. Scales of Commissions and Charges adopted by the Chambers of Commerce of Hongkong, and Shanghai

Hongkong Chair, Jinricksha, and Boat Hire. This issue contains the New Scale of Hongkong STAMP DUTIES, also tables COURT-FEES not elsewhere published, The APPENDIX consists of

FOUR HUNDRED PAGES of closely printed matter, to which reference is constantly required by residents and those having commercial or political relations with the these men been allowed to remain together The Contents of the Appendix are too many

to enumerate in an Advertisement, but include in Gaol at the cost of the Colony." This is TREATIES WITH CHINA-Great Britain, Nanking, 1842

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United States, Tientsin, 1858

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The Treaties between grants and China, 1885 and France and Siam, Additional Article t Chefoo Convention, together with many other tems, have not appeared in previous issues.

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London......Mr. W.M. Wills, 151, Camon St.

San Franco...Mr. L. P. Fisher, 21, Merchants' new Gaol, which has only been in cristence me you remind me so much of my dear little before they go. I therefore hope the Committee the bill of sale." This is to prevent after acquired HIS Excellency—I have already transmitted.

Hon. T. Jackson—1 shall be very grad to do not the true owner at the time of the execution of not the true owner. Exchange.

NEW YORKMr. A. Wind, 23, Park Row. Daily Press Office, January 1886,

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HINGRONG, APRIL 1st. 1-86.

-Officers of the Coasting Stenmers of Tun able and exhaustive report of Major-China & Manita S. S. Co. | General Gondon, the Superintendent of Victoria Guol, for the year 1885 is well de-Indo-China S. N. Co. Scottish Oriental S. S. Co. | serving of thoughtful consideration. No turully it travels over a good deal of familiar ground and repeats much that we, in common with the public, already knew. That the Chinese briminal finds in Victoria Gaol a comparatively luxurious fodging and dist superior to that enjoyed by many honest

labourers outside its walls is a fact that has often before been mentioned as one of the causes for the building being always crowded to repletion. It has no terrors to the average criminal, the risk of a period of detention there being willingly undergone in the pursuit of plunder. It is also no news to hear that the associated is much less deterreat than the separate system, but General Gozpon gives some further excellent reasons in support of his application for an extension of the latter. He says :-"There are generally in Gaol from 20 to 80 prisoners of she criminal plans, confined for short periods for want of finding security (generally only a few dollars) for good be. royal sword has been dipped and pledge loyal alhaviour. These persons are placed in acsociated wards, comfortably lodged and fed, observed by Chinese. Mahomedans, Parsees, and have no work to do. As a rule they declare themselves unable to find the required security, and remain in Gaol the appointed

beem of imprisonment, and General-Gozpon

bas also established his case in favour

judged lenity is not only expensive to the

Colony, but it as most injurious to the well!

calculated to encourage the commission of

being of the community as being eminently

As we admitted at the outset, General

Gordon presents some strong arguments in

favour of either increased gool accommoda-

ion of the erretion of a new building. The

will not General would clearly prefer the lat-

for, but recognising the financial difficulties

wheath suggests that Victoria Gaol should be

eserved for convicts and long sentence pri

course would certainly be less costly, but it

would stiff largely increase the expenditure

rented and money spent upon it to adapt it

also have to be maintained, and though pro-

deputy superintendent would need to be

Gordon himself freely admits, wholly dif-

ferent, and it is little use hoping for any of-

of Singapore is, however, more useful for

comparison. There a new Gael has been

erected with separate accommodation for 800

there has, according to the Singapore Prison

report for 1884, been a steady decrease in

the number of convictions for graver offences.

"four men only have been reconvicted who

had ever undergone a sentence of three years

and upwards." This is certainly evidence

Yokohama announcing that the Co.'s steamer these security prisoners could find security Yokohama at 9 p.m. on Tuesday, the 30th ult., if they wished-indeed knowing that some and would go into dook at Yokosuka yesterday. of them had more money in their possession At the Royal Artillery Sports to be held next Saturday there will be a Volunteer competition than the amount of security decanded-I of a character similar to the two previous years' tried the experiment of sending several of

for the most part a bardworking and

tempt criminals to make excursions there

in search of plunder, and the difficulty of

much greater. Hongkong is a special bunting

ground for Kwangtung thieves not only be-

cause of its wealth but also on account of the

facilities for escape with booty. Solitary

confinement would unquestionably be re-

garded as irksome and disagreeable, but the

expense necessary for the provision of the

separate system in Hongkong would be too

come. When the Waterworks, are com-

pleted, the sanitary works provided, and

fortifications finished, the erection of a new

follow the inclusion in the sentence on old

short sentenced prisoners to the minimum

The American corvetto Marion. Commander

The Japanese gunbont Sciki Kan. Commande

Comura left Amov on the 27th March for Shang-

Attention is directed to an announcement else-

The Prench frigate Turome, Captain Dupuis

The next People's Concert will be held at the

Temperance Hall on Friday evening, the 2nd in-

stant. The programme arranged is of the usual

character, and includes sixteen items, one of

enquire into the circumstances attending the

The Siam Advertiser says :- The Siamese

people will assemble at the Palace on the 6th

Abril to drink consecrated water in which the

legiance to their sovereign. This ceremony

takes place twice each year, and will occur the

Yesterday morning the Superintendent of the

P. & O. S. N. Company received a tologram from

second time this year on the 25th September.

which is a sentimental song competition.

Miller, left here yesterday for Shanghai.

at the Clubs and at the principal stores.

left-Amoy on the 28th ult. for Shanghai.

scale sufficient to sustain life.

of separate confinement, but found the divisions will get up their own teams. security required and left the Gaol. Had ordinary criminal has no objection to a short | they, are ready to supply too in quant-

We would draw attention to an advertisement elsewhere announcing the early arrival of ing short sentences on habitual criminals, next, the 3rd instant, and to provide against vertised to perform here on or about Saturday Many of these, he says, " return to the Gaol, stress of weather the tents will be new and everything will be done for the comfort of the spectaover and over again, a few weeks after distors. It will be noted that since Chiarini's last charge." These are facts that the Police visit to this colony he has made the acquisition Mugistrates will do well to lay to heart. Ill. of a den of Royal African lions, which, this being the first time that the king of the forest appears here, will prove an extra attraction.

There was a good audience at the City Hall opera "La Muscotte" The opera has been produced here by the same company several times already and the cast being the same, with one before stated equally applies to last night's rapra-Mr. Walshe for Mr. Raid in the part of Prince Frederick. The whole thing went capitally, and was a thoroughly good, all round performance. Glou" dust by Miss Davenport (Betting) and insumuch as a large building would have to be version of Bouckault's "Colleen Bawn."

The last smoking concert of the season got up by the Recreation Committee of the Hongkong olunteers was held at Headquarters on Tuesbably only a few additional warders and a the average, but a pleasant evening was spent. Gunner Dealy was to have taken part in the engaged yet the entire extra outlay would second part of the programme placed to his name plete segregation of the prisoners would have the "Village Blacksmith," which he rendered in Bill. the effect of greatly reducing crime, by serv- capital style. Mr. G. Grimble accompanied on ing to make the prison a real place of punish. English, and Gunner Rawlinson accompanied system in England, and more lately in Sin- concert three cheers were given for the Recreation Committee at the call of Sergt. Tomlin. gapore. In the former case there can be no The programme was as follows :-analogy, for the conditions are, as General Overture Pianoforte Mr. G. Grimble.

Banish Oh Maiden" Sorgeant Osborne, Corporal Lammert, Trumpeter Caldwell, Gunner Crow, Gunner Watt. fects from reforms ory agencies. The case Song "Let me like a soldier fall "Trumpeter Caldwell. Recitation ... "Miss Evans and the Eagle" Gunner Rawlinson. Corporal Lammert. Song, Comie. "Duck foot Sus" Gunner Swales. criminals as against 49 solitary cells in Vic- Reading torin Gaol. During the last three years Song "Maying" ... Corporal Lammert, Trum-

and it is specially noted that during the year | 3cmg "Our Jack's come home to-day" Gunner Wockey. shout three years. Moreover, it by no means derived last summer. —She now won- will meet before long. The question is that this property being affected by the bill of sale. That home to the Secretary of State the resolutions for in this Colony; but Government can at least was one of the very great defects of the old law. Passed unanimously at the last meeting, and by strive to approximate them. There are many follows that the same results would attend went to India

LATEST TELEGRAMS. the experiment in Hongkong. There would probably be a decrease in crime here if we LONDON, 30th March. could have the separate system fully carried RUSSIA AND THE EASTERN

out, but not, we fear, to the extent believed QUESTION. by General Gornon. The Singapore popu-The Russian Squadron in Suda Bay has been lation, too, is radically different from that of ordered to Smyrna. Hongkong. That Colony is not situated,

SERIOUS STRIKE IN BELGIUM like Hongkong, within easy reuch of the A general strike of colliers has taken place in millions of Kwangtung, and cannot become, Belgium. The troops having been called out like this island, a refage for offenders sanguinary conflict occurred, and a portion of from Canton. The Chinese in Singapore are the reserves had to be called out.

industrious class, who emigrate thither HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL to improve their fortunes. The distance A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Counfrom China to Singapore is too great to

ell was held yesterday afternoon, when there H. E. the Hon. W. H. MARSH, C.M.G., Acting getting away with it when secured is also Governor.

Hon. Sir George PHILLIPPO, Chief Justice. Hon. F. STEWART, Acting Colonial Secretary. Hon. E.J. ACKROYD, Acting Attorney-General Hon. A. Lister, Colonial Trea urer. Hoa. J. M. PRICE, Surveyor-General. Hos. P. Ryele.

Hon. Wong Shing. The minutes of the last meetings were read and great for the Colony to bear for some time to confirmed.

Hon. W. KESWICK.

Hon, T. JACKSON.

The following minute by His Excellency the Acting Governor was referred to the Finance

Gaol may be commenced, but until then we shall have to make shift with the present mends the Council to vote the sum of \$1.386 for general repairs to Mountain Lodge at Victoria Peak. building. In the meantime, however, we This building, which for eight months in the year offenders of a certain number of strokes with shape of reconstruction during the last 2 years. offenders of a certain humber of strokes with shape of reconstruction during the last 2 years.

the cattern, and the reduction of the diet of The Surveyor Construction that it is not product to have an office copy of any bill of sale, 1880, \$1,063,949; 1881, \$1,120,796; 1882, to defer any longer the work of restoration, the structure having no become positively un afe. Government House, Hongkong, 30th March, 1886.

> The following payments recommended by the Finance Committee were approved :- 300 to provide a Chinese teacher to give instruction in Chinese collequial to officers of the gaol, \$950 fo expenses inducted in suppressing the recent cut. tle epidemic, and \$450 to enable the Sanitary Board to carry out the special cleansing of tenements within the city.

where that the subscription lists, for the testimonial to the Hon. T. Jackson-are now lying The following papers were laid on the table:-Report of the Superintendent of Victoria Gael, instance. With regard to any private rights in get information with regard to the working of for 1825. Minute by the Collector of Stamp volved, I may recall to the memory of hon, bills of sale, and they took evidence from some Duty on a proposed increase of the duties by members that as far back as I believe Oo- of the money lenders and from all sources. The with His Excellency Admiral Rieunier on board' and the French cruiser Roland, Captain Mayetreceipts and payments of the Colony in the The German steamer Hesperia, which has been revenues received during the last ten years; in collision with the steamer Gusur, has had to a comparative statement of the expanditure the Government Gazette. That the matter was put into Suez for repairs. The Hesperia was to during the last ten years; and a statement not proceeded with then was due solely to the have left Hamburg for China ports about the of the assets and liabilities of the colony on the advice given by Your Excellency's predecessor 31st December, 1885.

THE PROPOSED INCRUASE OF THE

move the first reading of a Bill entitled the Colony, it is proposed to take up this measure af Stamp Ordinance, 1886. The minute which has just been laid on the table, to which I have de-A Marine Court will assemble at the Harbour voted considerable thought, will really show Office to-day, the 1st instant, at 10.30 a.m., to everything which is to be explained about this draft. I may mention that the minute was writstranding of the British steamship Breconshire ten a month ago, but as it was naturally in a very to public bodies and institutions, charitable on the White Rocks, near Swatow, on the 17th rough, hasty, and incomplete form, it has since then been carefully revised, and it now embodies my final recommendations in the matter. It really sums up the whole of the debate which took place in Finance Committee on the question. I may say the Ordinance itself, which hold in my hand, embodies hardly any change at rights of property; it was against a title. all from the present one beyond the two small amendments ordered by the Secretary of State Ordinance, and which are now introduced here. motion. Beyond that there is no change worth calling a change, and the whole attention of the Council may therefore be centered on the schedule. Hon. P. Ryrie-Much as I object to in-

the first reading of this Bill ing home. The N. C. Officers in charge of sub-

was then put and carried unahimously. The Colonial TREASURER-I beg to move,

THE SPIRIT LICENCE HILL. The Acting Attorney-General-I have

just mention now that in this Ordinance there to retail and other licences. The Acting Colonial Segretary seconded.

specifically pledged. Section 15 is one which The Bill was read a first time. THE INCORPORATION OF THE PROGURATOR FOR THE DOMINICAN MISSIONS.

The Surveyor-General-In pursuance of dinance for the Incorporation of the Procurator | these five days the granter may apply to the Court in Hongkong for the Dominican Missions in the in order that if any wrong has been done to him Far East. The object and intention of this it may be remedied at once. Section 16 requires five dollars for the second or any subsequent offence Bill are precisely the same as was explained to that a bill of sale shall be according to the form the Council during last session by the then At- of the schedule of the Act. That form is a simtorney-General, on behalf of another body corple one and limits certain powers of the grantee. The other orders of the day were postponed, porate, and I therefore have no new facts to There is another alteration, which is that every and the Council adjourned until Wednesday adduce to those which were fully discussed dur- bill of sale given for less than \$150 shall be void. next. ing the debates which will be within the recol. It was found in England that bills of sale were lection of the Council. If there be any difference given for very small amounts. One firm of money between the measure now proposed and the Or- lenders had taken no less than two thousand bills nothing in the designation of the person or was a great hardship on working men and they authority to be incorporated that can possibly recommended the insertion of this clause, will second the first reading of the Bill Fol- moved until after five clear days. That gives venue was \$1,251,889, being 3114,332 more than large proportion of its savings in lands, and it also gives time to the landlord. Section 19 | 353,122 more than estimated, while the expendiwhile the savings so invested have been solely declares that a bill of sale does not protect ture on extraordinary public works was \$475,147, and indisputably the funds of the Mission, the chattels against rates and taxes. Section 20, making a total expenditure for the year latter has been compelled to register its purchases which is a long one, describes the formalities 31,621,250. The receipts above given are excluat the moment to be its Procurator or local gives any Judge of the Supreme Court power | to \$65,658, thus bringing the grand total up to agent in Hongkong. They were compelled to to order the registration of a bill of sale when body corporate. Obviously the inconvenience of for the entry of satisfaction when the debt has years, the totals being as follow:-1876, 3871.807; more especially would complications be likely to also a right of search. The remaining sections 31,209,517; 1883, 31,289,448; 1884, 21,173,971, arise in the event of the death of any procurator are not important. I move that the Bill be read representing the interests of the Mission in a first time. Hongkong. The object of the Bill therefore is to authorise the Dominican Procuration to hold legally in its own name as a body corporate. through its Procurator, landed or other property in Hongkong. With regard, sir, to the Governam given to understand the applicant has been pealed, and these provisions were substituted. The expenditure on extraordinary public works able togatisfy your Excellency and the Secretary lafter they had been carefully considered by a during the last three years has been as follows: of the Mission and makes this application to be incorporated not only with the authority and Judges of County Courts and the Registrars and sanction of his superiors, but at their expressed everybody also in England from whom they could 50 per cent.; a statement showing the total tober last year the intention to move the first result was the preparing of these two Bills, which reading of this Bill was published in accordance, have now been in force for a long time in Engyear 1885; a comparative statement of the with Standing Order No. 49, and that the Bill land and have worked satisfactorily. itself was printed had published in extenso in in the Chair, who was of opinion that before

proceeding to the first reading, the application and the Bill should be referred to the Secretary of State. That was done, and the approval The Colonial Treasurer-Sir, I beg to the Secretary of State having now arrived in the the stage at which it was dropped last year. have nothing further to add. Bir. unless it be express the hope that the terms of this Bill wil command themselves to hon, members, who I am sure will be animated by every desire to extend or ecolesiastical, the same facilities that are enjoyed by private individuals in the holding and transfer of land or other property.

Hon. P. Ryarz-I have much pleasure seconding the first reading of this Bill. opposition last year had nothing to do with th perfectly recognise that bodies having property in this Colony have a right to be incorporated which were embedied in a small supplementary they wish it. Therefore I bug to second Ithe

The Bill was read a first time. The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL-I have to the circumstances, socing they only relate to the orecased taxation I feel it is necessary to get move the second reading of a Bill entitled An salary of one clergyman. The arrangement enturity. The duty on uncompleted Transfers at money from somewhere, and I therefore second Ordinance to consolidate and amend the Law for I tered into so long ago as 1845 or 1847 was that the first reading of this Bill.

preventing Frauds upon Creditors by Secret there should be a subscription for the building Hon. T. Jackson - Your Excellency, I bog to Bills of Sale of Personal Chattels. Our Ordin. of the church and the Government contribute say a few words on this Stamp Ordinance of ance on this subject is 10 of 1864, and that 'was 'two-thirds and the public one third and upon 1886. Some months ago, when we were all based upon the English Act of 1854. Since then that understanding the Cathedral was to be made sports—a drill competition with seven pounders. anxiously considering to what side we should two or three Acts have been passed in England over to trustees, who were to be appointed, four by there to separate calls, the result being that racing a short distance, firing blank cartridge, turn for an increase of revenue, many means on the subject, the principal of which are the the Government and two by the subscribers; and very few stood more than three or four days dismounting, remounting, firing again, and rec. suggested. themselves, but I think beyond Bills of Sale Acts of 1854 and 1882. These two the Colonial Chaplain was to be appointed by the doubt the best way of meeting a deficit is Acts have introduced some very important alter. Government and to be sunder the superintend. by an increase of the Stainp duties. And ations in the law of 1854. Of these alterations, ence of the Government. In return for the even with the increase which is now pro- the chief are, first, in the definition of a bill of large contribution the Government gave the The remoured opposition to the Hongkong posed of some fifty per cent. in most of the sale, secondly, the alteration of the time within arrangement was that so many sests in the Ice Company is now an accomplished fact. The items I believe the Stamp duties will be lighter | which abill of sale must be registered, thirdly, the church should be free, because we have to pro-Countries embraced within the scope of the in an associated ward, it seems probable they Korschelt Ice Depot is the they are in the Straits, in India, or the avoidance of certain duplicate bills of sale, and, wide not only for the wants of this community, would have preferred a rest of a few months prise, and the ice is manufactured at the Sake United Kingdom and I am perfectly sure this fourthly, as to after acquired property. With but some provision has to be made for the large Distillery on the Shaukiwan Road. Messrs. is a tax that will not in any way militate against respect to the definition clause, it extends the de- number of people constantly passing through— Blackhead & Co. are the agents, and, as will be the prosperity of the port. I would speak of a finition of bills of sale and includes within the travellers, sailors, and all sorts of people conindeed a most conclusive proof that the seen by the advertisement published elsewhere, spirit tax in a very different way, as one which definition any agreement, whether intended or stantly passing through whose wants the Gothey are ready to supply ice in quantities from | would very decidedly militate against the pro- not to be followed by the execution of any other | vernment up to the present time have taken sperity of the port. I am sure this \$50,000 or instrument, by which a right in equity to any into consideration. Besides that an arrange-\$60,000 which it is proposed to raise by increasing personal chattels, or to any charge or security ment was made that a certain number of seats the stamp duties will be so scattered over every thereon, shall be conferred. With respect to the should be provided for officials and for the miliperson interested in the trade of China that it definition of personal chattels the Act of 1864 tary, and an arrangement was made that during of solitary confinement. He likewise makes Chiarini's Royal Italian Circus and Menagerie will not be felt or interfere with our pro- included fixtures, but this Ordinance will only the Sunday the military should have the ad sperity. On the other hand, if we had attempted include fixtures when they are separately assign. Vantage of one service entirely to themselves, to increase the municipal rates I think it would ed or charged by a bill of sale. With respect to Now, if the government grant is to be withdrawn have been a great mistake. I think land and article 5, this article extends the Act to trade altogether, the question arises, to whom is the property are as highly taxed as they ought to be machinery and explains what is meant by trade Government going to hand over the Church, to in this colony, and after carefully considering machinery. Formerly trade machinery could what body. We should have, I presume, to do as the matter I throw in my lot with this Stamp not be dealt with by bill of sale. Section they have done in other places, constitute in some Ordinance. . I think it the best and wisest 6 brings under the Act many deeds aid way a church body-to whom the structure requires them to be registered, as any agree- would be handed over. Then who is to appoint Hon: W. KESWICK.-The remarks made by ment whereby a power of distress is given the clergyman? If the Government do not pay my hon friend opposite leave me very little to or agreed to be given by any person to any other his salary they can hardly claim the right to apsay in support of this Ordinance. It has always person by way of security for any present, future, point him. Then there are other considerations appeared to me that when, we are unfortunately or contingent debt or advance, and whereby any involved. Are these seats at present kept from-Theatre last night, when the Mascotte Opera called on for additional revenue no better tax rent is reserved or made payable as a mode of some of them the heat seats, too—are they to be than the stamp duty could possibly be devised, providing for the payment of interest on such retained for the purposes specified? It seems to Its collection will add nothing to the expanditure labt or advance. This is embodied from the me, giving judgment on the whole matter, it of the colony and consequently the increase in English Act, and this enactment has almost would be far better to let things remain as they the amount will be a clear gain. To that extent put an end in England to this kind of deed. are. We are not a sufficiently large body here excaption, as on previous occasions, what has been it has an advantage over any other tax that could [hey were not required to be registered, and to render it necessary to form a church body in be devised. As my hon friend has mentioned, therefore they were resorted to to avoid published. We are not a stationary comsentation. The change was the substitution of the charges in connection with land already in licity. Article 4, in defining personal chattels, munity. As has been pointed out in this existence are su floiantly onerous to make it very includes, as I have already ram trked, fixtures and Council before, the population is constantly REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT desirable they should not be adjet to. It is very growing crops when separately assigned or changing, and a generation has been stated designable that living should be rendered as read charged, and article 7 explains that they shall by us to be no longer than ten years. Un-The andience constantly testified a marked appre- sousble and chesp in this colony as it is possible not be deemed to be separately assigned if by der these circumstances it seems to media the to render it. We have here a very poor popula- the same instrument any lessehold interest in Government would give way and allow things tion, poorer perhaps that in any other part of the land or building to which such fixtures are to remain as they are it would be a great adthe world except in China itself, and in order to sillied, or in the land on which such crop grows. Vantage to us; but if not, then I think it would Council yesterday afternoon: prisoners to some other building. This vociferously. On Saturday night Mr. Vernon encourage the growth and prosperity of the is also conveyed or assigned to the same persons be advisable, sir, for you to communicate with Reid takes his benefit, and on that occasion colony it is desirable taxation of a direct or person. I now come to section 8, bill of sale the Becretary of State and inquire what arrangesomething fresh is to be produced. Sir Julius kind should be as light as possible. In the to be void unless attested and registered. This ments are to be made in case this is carried out. Benedict's "The Lily of Killsrney," an operation form in which this tax will be collected it section will render void every bill of sale not duly. To whom is the church to be handed over f will not fall heavily on the trade of the port. In attested and registered, and this is the section | Who is to appoint the minister? Who is to disconsideration of the protection afforded here to which makes the change as to the limitation of miss him, if necessary?—because it might so merchandise from all parts of the world, to the time within which they must be registered. The happen that a minister might be appointed whose shipping which frequents our harbour, and to old Ordinance allowed twenty-one days, but this private character was not good-such things have listering the Government, a few observation reday evening. The attendance was hardly up to the general commerce which centres here, it is section reduces it to seven, and, moreover, re- happened before—or whose faith in the principles | gurding the Gaol and its administration, which only right that these should contribute some quires that the consideration for which the bill of the Church of Eugland might become weak are but little adverted to in the Official Roturn. thing to the revenue of the Colony. On bills of of sale is given shall be duly set forth, which is ened or lost; and it would be necessary to have lading, policies of insurance, bills of exchange, important. Section 9 is another new enact- something shown as to who could dismiss him. the beginning of May last. My personal exand the other documents which will have to bear ment. Formerly, when the time was twenty- Those things ought to be brought to the perience therefore only extends to eight months come to a very considerable sum per anum. had to be omitted. Gunner Swales sang in his a stamp I think it most desirable, fair, and pro- one days, there was a regular system in order notice of the Secretary of State, and I think of the past year; and, if I venture to offer place, and Mr. Beart, an honorary member, being per a charge should be made, and entertaining to prevent publicity, and that was, that there you would be doing a considerable service opinions and make suggestions as to desirable General Gordon is sanguine that the coin- also called upon for a song, kindly obliged with these views I have pleasure in supporting the way an agreement that a duplicate bill of sale to the colony if you would point out changes and reforms, I do so with diffidence, should be given, and therefore before the ex- matters should remain as they are; it is hardly conscious of my limited experience of the The question that the Bill be read a first time piry of twenty-one days another bill was given worth while to change them; but if they are to criminal classes and prison administration in for the same debt, and so it went on, and there be changed, that the Secretary of State should the Far East, fore a man might be heavily in debt for money give us some information as to what manner of 3.—In directing the administration of the sir, that this Bill be referred to a special com- borrowed-long before and no publicity was given legislation is required. It seems to me it will be Gaol in this Colony, it will hardly be disputed

mittee composed of the Hon. the Acting At. to this; but this new section will render void any no saving of money, because something must be that Government cannot do better than to be torney-General, Hon. P. Ryrie, Hon. W. Kes- bill of sale given within or on the expiration of done for providing religious privileges for some guided in its general principles by English wick, Hon. T. Jockson, Hon. Wong Shing, and seven days after the execution of a prior unregis- portion of the community. We should always Prison experience, and to endeavour to attain myself, to consider the contents of the schedule. tered bill of sale if it comprises all or any part of | want, we would always expect from the Govern- | the results arrived at in England. These re-His EXCELLENCY—Hon, gentlemen of the the personal chattels comprised in such prior bill ment, an allowance for the gaol, the hospitals, and sults have of late years been marvellous, and are Legislative Council, I am very glad to find the of sale and is for the same debt. Section 10 pre- also, if the matter was thrown on the community, briefly but graphically described in Sir E. du measure the Government is obliged to bring in scribes the manner in which a bill of sale shall some assistance towards providing for the wants | Caue's account of Penal Servitude (London, with a view to increasing its revenue to meet be attested and registered, and it provides that of the sailors, or at all events for their decent 1882.) A combination of deterrent and reforthe charges of the lean meets with such general if a bill of sale is made or given subject to any burial. In that case I think the least the Church | matery Prison discipline, matured by the exapproval both from the official and unofficial defeasance or condition, or declaration of trust, of England could expect from the Government perisence of many years, has, in England, resulted members. I think it a better measure than the that must also be registered. This is to prevent | would be equivalent to the salary the clergyman in a diminution of crime truly astonishing. Spirits Bill introduced last year for the reason creditors being defrauded by bills of sale by which now gets and the few extra expenses. I shall During the five years ending in 1859, the yearly explained by one of the hon. gentlemen who have the whole interest was apparently assigned when therefore move as an amendment to the reading average of sentenced Prisoners, in England and spoken, that it does not affect the freedom of the debtor retained some interest in the things of the Bill a second time that it be referred to Wales, was To Anthea"....... Sergeant Osborns. spoken, that it does not alleot the freedom of the feet. It will bring in, assigned. The 11th section requires that a bill the Secretary of State.

The Acrine Arronner-General Islands this section. The Acrine Arronner-General Islands this. peter Caldwell, Gunner Crow, Gun. ated the Spirit Farm would produce, and here we 12 is also an important one. Every bill of sale that amendment. If a change is to be made this have some basis to go on in making a calculation, must have annexed thereto a written inventory. Bill might not work at all under the new system whereasin the case of the Spirit Farmit was purely This is necessary, because formerly general terms to be established, and it would hardly be worth conjecture; we had no basis to go upon, and my were used, such as fixtures, stock in trade, or while considering details which would be inap- out of a population of over 19 millions. This opinion was that the \$63,000 estimated was something like that, but now the schedule plicable if the Secretary of State proceeds in his number was year by year reduced till in 1881 it rather more than we were likely to got, at least must set out the goods, because the bill of sale determination. It is merely a consolidation of amounted to at the door. She stood folded in his arms, strok- able we should refer this Bill at once to the This section may be read in connection with gained in passing it to-day. ing his beard, while he looked into her orbs of Special Committee, as I understand two of the section 13, which says - a bill of sale shall be HIS EXCELLENCY—Perhaps the better plan that the separate system is deterrent—a fact blue. For a time no sound was heard save the gentlemen proposed on that committee are void except as against the granter in respect of would be for my hon, friend, if he has objection, of which we never had any doubt—but it can should like any personal chattels specifically described in to withdraw his motion for the second reading. she said: "George, dearest, do you know why them to have an opportunity of considering the the schedule thereto of which the granter was Hon. T. Jackson-I shall be very glad to do while the population had increased from 19 mil

bill of sale, and persons having sold property to move, sir, the first reading of a Bill entitled found the goods were covered by a bill of sale. the Spirit Licence Ordinance, 1886. I would so that innocent third parties were thus deprived of their goods and made to pay is nothing whatever about a Spirit Farm. It money which had been lent years before to some simply consolidates several Ordinances which other person. The only exceptions are growing have regulated the subject of spirit licences his crops actually growing when the bill of sale therto, and introduces some changes with regard was executed and fixtures bought in substitution of like goods which have been already

has been introduced in favour of the grantor. Formerly the holder of a bill of sale could enter on almost any grounds; now the grounds on which he may seize the goods have been stated; and there is another relief granted, the notice I gave at our last meeting I rise to which is this, that when the goods have been seized move the first reading of a Bill-entitled an Or- they cannot be removed for five days, and during publish the winning number, name or character in dinance of last year it is the fact that there is of sale for sums under £15, and they admitted it in the name of the individual who happened connected with the registration. Section 21 sive of the premia on land sales, which amounted

HIS EXCELLENCY—Is this one of the Bills prepared by the Law Revision Committee? which we had in force in this colony was taken trom an English Act which has now been re- | \$1,162,247; 1834, \$1,254,634; 1885, \$1,146.10; of State that he is the duly accredited local agent | Committee who were appointed for that purpose. | -18:3, 3180,052; 1884, 8340,763; 1885, \$475,147. This Committee sent circular letters to all the The Bill was read a first time.

THE CATHEDRAL AND THE ECCLESIASTICAL

Hon. T. Jackson-Sir, I beg to move the second reading of the Cathedral Ordinance Bil

The COLONIAL TREASURER-I second the The CHIEF JUSTICE—Before the Bill is read

second time I would suggest it would

be as well to withdraw it and submit it

to the Secretary of State, The Bill os

framed is very nearly in the same words as two Ordinances that are at present in force with some minor alterations, leaving out som portions, and simply consolidating them. Bu we have been told that when the present Colonial Chaplain retires the whole system must be remodelled, and we have already by a resolution of this Council asked the Secretary of State to re consider his decision and let matters remain on the footing they are now. If he would do so the Ordinance might well be passed and be carried into effect in the same way in which the existing Ordinances have been carried into effect for so to give a general increase of 50 per cont. to the many years. It will be a question for the Secretary of State as to whether really the alterations that would have to be made in the Bill if his proposal were carried into effect are worth while under

under which you were allowed to state that after. the next mail I will transmit this Bill, which causes operating in Hongkong which make both

acquired property should become subject to the has been read a first time, together with the remarks that have been made by the Chief Justice. THE RELIGIOUS CEREMONIES AND PRETIVALS

The Religious Coremonies and Fostivals Bil was read a third time and passed.

The Acting Attorney-General gave t tice that at the next meeting he would move the following additional section to the Vagrants

Every person who shall in any street, road or other open and public place, or in any open place to which the public have socess sell or offer for sale any ticket or chance or any share in any ticket or chance in any lottery or who shall in such street, read or place any lottery shall be liable on conviction thereof before a Police Magistrate, to a fine not exceeding ten dollars for the first offence or not exceeding twenty-

THE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE OF THE COLONY.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council hurt the susceptibilities of any hon, member, and I think it a very proper one. Section yesterday afternoon a statement was laid on the not even these of my hon, friend on my left 18 is one to which I have already alluded. It table showing the total receipts and expenditure (Mr. Ryrie), who has been so kind as to say be provides that the chattels seized shall not be re- of the colony for the year 1885: The total relowing the example of many investors in Hong- the grantor the opportunity of applying to the estimated, and 378,818 more than in 1834. The kong, the Dominican Mission has laid out a Court if he has been subject to any injustice, and ordinary expenditure was \$1,146,103, being

might suggest that a salutary effect would is submerged in fog mes, as far back as 1581, reported adopt that practice because they were unable to it is proved that non-registration was accidental. Another return was also laid before the Connect as shewing traces of decay from wet-rot, and again in hold or transfer any property in this colony as a and duy to inadvertence. Bection 22 provides giving the revenue received during the last ten

and 1885, 31,251,889. These figures are all exclusive of the premia on land sales, which has The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded. varied in different years from \$1,407 to \$203,659 A third return gives the expenditure for the last ten years as follows: -1876, \$902,500; 1977, The CRIEF JUSTICE-Yes. The Ordinance 8873,207; 1878, \$910,523; 1879, \$926,867; 1880.

> THE PROPOSED INCREASE IN THE STAMP DUTY.

The following minute by the Collector of Stamp Duty on a proposed increase of the duties by 50 per cent. was laid on the table of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon:-

Honourable Acting Colonial Secretary, With reference to your note of February 20th, enquiring the effect of an increase of Stamp Duty of 50 per cent. I hag to report that the total collected by this Office in 1885 (the lowest collection for five years past)

Deduct Court Fees. &c..

An increase of fifty per cent. on the above would of course amount to about \$65,000 a year but there are some duties which really could not be increased. A Receipt Stamp, for instance,

could hardly be more than three cents. On the other hand there are duties which would bear an increase of more than fifty per cent. Our duties on Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, for instance, might be doubled without rendering them excessive. They will still be below those charged at Singapore, which they should never exceed. I enclose a Table shewing roughly the increases I should propose Stamp Revenue. The result may be taken as about \$71,000 a year.

I should propose a special treatment of the duty on Transfers of Shares. I had meant to Singapore is just three times what it is here, and is so arranged as either, to prevent the defranding of the Revenue which goes on by means of what are called Blank Transfers, or to compensate for it. The result would be to treble the amount collected.

If the Community would prefer increased taxation to take the shape of Stamp Duties rather than that of a Spirit Farm (the only other feasible proposal so far) it would be very convenient, as all the machinery is in existence. and there would be no buildings, salaries, allowances, or new appointments required. The very careful redistribution of the duties effected last year has proved satisfactory in nearly every way, and it puts the Colony in the best possible position for either raising or lowering them, which can be carried out, and the law on the subject brought up to date, by means of little-more than a few clerical alterations.

I may perhaps add a few words as to the evasion of Stamp Duties by Chiness. Rither exaggerated ideas are current about this. The only Stamp Duties Chinese can evade are those on doonments passing entirely amongst themselves and which they can succeed in keeping out of the Courts. These, naturally, are mainly Agreements, Promissory Notes, Rossipts, and Native Drafts. But in all business which is not purely native the Chinese must pay Stamp Duty, they cannot help it; and Chinese business is conducted more and more on the western model every year. I am bound to say moreover that since the Promissory Note duties were re-arranged on a more equitable scale they have been largely paid on purely Chinese Notes, the lenders preferring s cheap security to the risk of not being able to

A. LISTER, Collector of Stamp Revenue Stamp Office, 29th March, 1886.

OF VICTORIA GAOL FOR 1885.

The following report on the Gael by General Gordon was laid on the table of the Legislative

Gaol Superintendent's Office. Hongkong, 27th January, 1886. COLONIAL SECRETARY,-In forwarding the prescribed Annual Statistical Return of Victoria Gaol. I beg to submit at the same time, for the information of His Excellency the Officer Admin-2.—I assumed charge of the Victoria Geol in

Sentenced to penal servitude Sentenced to imprisonment.

Sentenced to imprisonment

lions to nearly 26 millions. 4.—Such splendid results can hardly be hoped

a large influx of Chinese and other foreign would be erroneous. population amongst whom must be expected a The large number of prison offences in Viclatter, probably accustomed to the severity of the chief of which are :the Canton and other Eastern prisons, must be 1. The enforced association and crowding toagreeably surprised, and can hardly be deterred gether of the prisoners at night, for want of seby the humane and gentle treatment, which, as parate sleeping cells for each prisoner.

5.—In this Gaol, as far as my observation of space in the workshops and yards. less. The deterrent effects of imprisonment are been the cause of much avoidable prison crime. therefore almost limited to less of liberty and its | 12.—An explanation will naturally be expected | modation. accompanying pleasures—a loss far more acutely of the large increase of prison offences in 1885 with here. Reformatory elements are greatly over 30 per cent. The number of prisoners who are old offenders. I our convicts otherwise then with humane attenprisoners.

SUBORDINATE STAFF.

. 6.-The Gaol staff, besides the Warden and Head Turnkeys, consist of 1st and 2nd class Turnkeys (all Europeans) and 1st and 2nd class Assistant Turnkeys (Europeans, coloured men. and natives). None of these have had previous training in prison discipline. They have all been trained in this Gaol. The European Officers are zealous, painstaking, and conscientions. The maintenance of prison discipline has altogether depended upon them, and, although it would be better to have a proportion of officers trained to the careful discipline of an English prison, the services of the European staff deserve in my opinion the acknowledgment

of Government. 7.-- I regret I cannot, with one or two and native staff. At one time friendly and familiar with prisoners, at other times barsh and exacting, almost always wanting in judgresponsible for much prison crime. Many of them also have proved to be dishonest in so far as they have trafficked with prisoners in tobacco, opium, etc., and have been open to bribery in conveying communications between prisoners and outside friends. In fact at the time I took over the Gaol, any prisoner, whose friends would provide the money, could procure tobacco, opium, letters or anything he wanted, through the instrumentality of coloured turnkovs. Of these turnkeys during the year 6 were invalided, 5 resigned, and 10 were dismissed; most of the were mostly replaced by soldiers. His Excellency the Major General Commanding the Troops having kindly permitted soldiers from the Garrison to join the prison staff on probation. These men, if found suitable, purchased their opportunities and temptations of imprisonment discharge and permanently joined the prison staff. They proved most valuable. Their habits breaches of divolphine without noise or alterestion, and gradually improved the subordination and discipline of the convicts. The soldier fighting with each other were much more thrukeys moreover are absolutely free from numerous. In 1884, 270 such offences were rethe slightest suspicion of trafficking with prist ported, in 1885, 204 were reported. Finding oners. Their presence in Gaol I consider a great these offences very numerous, I caused it to be gain to Government.

PRISON BUILDINGS.

8.—The Official Return shows that this Gool year. The prison is greatly overcrowded. Daying the year the Government sanctioned the removal of the female prisoners to a house out. | in October last, and placed at my disposal the sverage during the first nine months of 1885 late female ward with 8 large cells and a was 21 offences, which was reduced in the last separate yard, which relieved to some extent quarter to a monthly average of 11. the overcrowding. Yet this is but a very small relief. Long experience at home has proved that, to make prison panishments detersonors should be kept in separate confinement. The established principle is that prisoners the very limited and unsuitable, accommodation voured, as far as the limited accommodation al-I have carried out in the following manner. Prisoners sentenced to less than six months, I have, except in rare and special cases, entirely when boiled giving a Prisoner somewhat over 3 exempted from separate confinement, placing lbs. of food. them at once in associated wards. Every prisoner sentenced to six months or more I cause ment. Such prisoners come in almost daily. Whenever the separate cells therefore are full. I examine the records of those occupying them. sentenced to penal servitude.

hardly on industrial labour. Mat making chair | unobserved by the warders. After a careful and basket making, carpentering, and even most search the key was found sown into one of the of the cakum picking have to be carried out in chain-gang men's hats and the persons intending narrow and limited verandals. There is only to escape were removed from the chain-gang. space for a single loom of coir mat-making and For this service the prisoner who gave the a single loom of grass mat-making; tailoring is carried out in a dark hall, shoe making is car. ried out in an ordinary cell. In fact there is no 18.—The offence of having tobacco or opium suitable workshop in the Gael, nor space for in prison has been a very common one. In 1894 one, except for the single industry of washing there were 719 cases reported, in 1885 there were clothes. Were the prison provided with suitable 709 cases reported. This, in its effects, is a very workshops, it would be easy to discharge serious matter. With the moderate work and every. long sentence prisoner a trained and liberal diet of this Gaol, as compared to that of skilled workman at a remunerative trade; and ordinary coolies, and with the comfort of living there would be every hope that a large percentage | in association, it only requires easy opportunities of convicts would by these means be reclaimed for indulgence in narcotics, to render the Gaol from a life of crime. As it is, we can barely quite a pleasant place of residence for oriminals. employ at and train to trades about one hundred The deprivation of narcotics acts as a determent prisoners.

10.—In short the Victoria Gaol is unsuited to There have been many difficulties to contend the demands of modern civilization, or even humanity : for it seems hardly humans to fail in | ruption of coloured Gaol officials, who dealt with adopting those measures which experience has prisoners in tobacco, has been referred to. Prishown to operate as deterrents to criminals and as encouragements to reform of life; it seems hardly humane to continue a prison system in ing more or less in contact with the outside which the enforced association of criminals is public had many opportunities of smuggling

PRISONERS AND THEIR DISCIPLINE.

in charge of this Gaol. I venture to hazard an opinion that the Chinese convicts under my keys in charge, even if the latter did not wilfully charge are as amenable to discipline, and dispos. | turn their eyes away. It was introduced in proed to be as well conducted, as those of any race is in appearance not supported by the statistics | their friends ontside to have this coveted article given in the Annual Return. It will be observ. secretly introduced into the Gaol. The followed that in the year 1884, with a daily average ing steps have been adopted. Every officer number of 552 prisoners, 4.784 prison offences proved to have been engaged in traffic with priwere reported. In 1895 with an average of 530 soners has been dismissed; several persons found

a civilized and Christian nation, we extend to 2. The enforced crowding together of prisongoes. Chinese convicts are better fed, better ! 3. The want of training and general inefficienclothed, and better lodged than free coolie oy of a number of the turnkeys, whose igno- reported, it seems probable that at least three works but received no extra rations. The diet

raised the number of reports for "talking" from | vexation.

cult to the prisoners in the summer months. These persons are placed in associated wards, the expectations of that Government in building During 1835 there were reported 945 offences comfortably ledged and fed, and have no work to their new prison. From the Singapore Prison for short oakum picked and petty oakum do. As a rule they declare themselves unable to report of 1834 it appears that for the last three working yard, frequently stealing each other's the appointed time. But, having some idea that number of convictions for graver offences, and it picked cokum. No offences were recorded un- many of these "Security Prisoners" could find is specially noted that during the year "four der this head in 1884. The practice had security if they wished, indeed knowing that men only have been reconvicted, who had ever been for the officer charged with weighing some of them had more money in their posses- undergone a sentence of three years and upwards. the caken to report deficiencies on a separate sion than the amount of security demanded. I ment and discretion, they are in my opinion paper and these offences and their punishments tried the experiment of sending several of them were not recorded in the offence book. As these to separate cells, the result being that very few papers were not preserved. I am unable to make stood more than 3 or 4 days of separate confinetice appeared to me to be irregular. I directed the Gaol. Had these men been allowed to rebook, thus increasing the offences by 945. The probable they would have preferred a rest of a. offences under these two heads account for near- | few months in Gao| at the cost of the Colony. ly half the prison offences of the year 1885 and

13.—The remaining prison offences consist of assaults and acts of insubordination, idleness and latter for illicit dealings with prisoners, one of refusing to work, having tobacco or opium, them having been tried and convicted in the quarrelling and fighting, stealing food, disorder-Magistrates Court. The vacancies so caused by conduct and other miscollaneous offences. In all these there has, as compared with the previous year, been al diminution in 1885. The number, however, is a very large as compared with English prisons, owing chiefly to the great

for more than double the increase over previous

in association. 14.—During the year 11 cuses of insubordinof discipline raised the tone of the subordinate atlon towards and assaults on officers of the staff. Instead of quarrelling and arguing with Gaol, were tried by the Superintendent and a prisoners, like so many of the coloured staff. Visiting Justice. Of these cases 8 offenders were they gave their orders quietly and reported [awarded corporal punishment, and 3 solitary

15.—The cases of prisoners assaulting and signified to the prisoners that aggravated assaults on each other would be tried. 13 such cases were accordingly brought to trial before the Superintendent and a Visiting Justice. contains 150 cells or wards, of which 49 only are | 9 cases corporal punishment was inflicted; in 3 separate cells. Last year there were only 46 | cases solitary imprisonment; one case broke separate cells, but 3 have been added during the down for want of evidence. The result was satisfactory in diminishing this class of offence. I append a table showing the number these offences during each month for the last side Victoria Gaol. This was carried into effect | two years. It will be observed that the monthly

16.—The most serious offence during the year was an assault made on the Superintendent or the 27th June, with a bludgeon by a prisoner rent and reformatory, it is essential that pri- under sentence of 18 months' imprisonment. He was tried and received corporal punishment. A on careful and lengthened enquiry into the causes conviction should for a fixed period be kept in of this assault elicited the fact that it was the separate confinement both day and night. This result of a conspiracy, in which upwards of 50 penal stage lasts in England for nine months, of the worst convicts in Gaol (nearly all mem-In the second stage convicts are employed at bors of the Triad Society) were concerned. A labour in association, but sleep and have their considerable sum of money had been collected or meals in a separate cell. It is quite impossible promised to reward the man who committed the to carry out such a system in Victoria Gaol, with assault. The cause was stated to be the general discontent of the prisoners at the somewhat inof the buildings, and I believe it has never been | creased severity with which the prison regulaoven approximately attempted, confinement in tions were enforced by the new Superintendent. separate cells having in past times been chiefly A special griovance being his enforcing the preused for punishment. I have, however, endea scribed punishment diet of lib. of rice a day; the practice having previously been to allow lowed, to follow the established principles, which prisoners sentenced to punishment diet to rečeive the "Penal diet" of 11b. Soz. of rice, a punishment but little felt; 11b. Soz. of rice

17.—The great risk of possible conspiracies is very obvious in a prison like this, where most of to undergo a limited period of separate confine. the prisoners live in association, and where silence has been very imperfectly enforced even at work, under the immediate eve of the turnkeys. It was necessary therefore to be well in and transfer the best conducted amongst them | formed of everything going on in the Gaol, to associated wards to make room for new comers. After some trouble and through the valu-This has to be done about once a week. Since able assistance of Mr. Machado, the late I have had the female ward at my disposal I Gaol clerk, an able and intelligent official have used it as a sort of intermediate place of thoroughly conversant with the Chinese langusemi-separate confinement; four or five long age, several informers were found to give insentence prisoners being confined in each cell formation of what was going on among the remained concealed in the obscurity of incidental there, and kept at work in separation from all prisoners. Slight remissions of sentences were other prisoners, having their own separate yard granted by Government at my recommendation for exercise. Long sentence prisoners, on re- for such services. The advantage of this armoval from separate cells, are now transferred rangement became speedily apparent. A plot to the late female ward, but these in their turn | was revealed for the escape of a number of conmust in a short time be removed to the ordinary viets, chiefly pirates, from the chain-ging. respectated wards to make room for others. By These men had procured (by means never asthis system I am able to give every prisoner, certained) a duplicate of the key which opened sentenced to six-months or more, from two to the padlocks of their chains. A letter was inthree weeks' separate confinement at the be- tercepted (and sent to the Police) asking friends ginning of his sentence. A very poor result, entside to have a junk in readiness for them at a but it is all that can be done, unless separate named spot; the key was carefully concealed, confinement were entirely reserved for convicts and the convicts were only waiting for a wet day, when, huddled up in a shed for shelter, they 9.—The limited space of the Gaol tells equally | could pass the key along and loosen their chains

to this class and should be strictly enforced. with in Victoria Gaol on this score. The corsoners were allowed to not as cooks and servants to turnkeys residing in the Gaol and these, comwell known as tending to make the better class in tobacco, &c. The prison walls in parts bad and the bad worse. work in the yards tobacco was frequently thrown over the walls from the adjoining Street 11.-After a short experience of eight months and falling among the prisoners was secret 1 by them before it could be observed by the turnvision baskets and in dry earth baskets. In fact I am acquainted with. This view, I must admit, every ingenuity is exercised by prisoners and

prisoners 6,473 prison offences were reported; attempting to pass tobacco into Gaol-have been giving an average of 12 prison offences a year prosecuted. Nets have been suspended over for each prisoner; nor was the great bulk of parts where tobacco had been thrown over the these offences committed by a small number of walls. The employment of prisoners as cooks habitual offenders, as is the case in England, and servants to turnkeys has been stopped by where only about half the number of prisoners | Government, and constant vigilant inspections are annually punished for prison offences. On and searches are continually made all over the the last day of the year it was found that there Gaol premises. These measures have met with were only 78 prisoners in Gaol who had been some success. It will be seen from the Refree of punishment for three months. If we turn of these offences annexed hereto, that compare this with the statistics of English pri- in the first six months of the year 534 cases of

filled boxes, while during the last 3 or 4 months to, the Colony. the quantities found were infinitesimal.

in the neighbouring streets. I enforced the not as a deterrent (which short sentences do not), mightiest of these agencies. Regulation, detailing for some time extra turn- it would cost the Colony no more, and would save

LABOUR ON PUBLIC WORKS AND INDUS-TRIAL LABOUR.

22.—A chain-gang of prisoners has been

working during the year, under the order of the Surveyor General on Public Works, and has generally consisted of about 90 mon; though this number has lately been much reduced. The work of this gang has not given estisfaction. The officers in charge of the gangs receive an extra allowance for this duty. The prisoners on chain-gang receive extra allowances of rice. shinned beef for congee and ten besides being credited and on discharge paid one cent a day as earnings. The cost of these extras is charged to the Surveyor-General's Department. The Surveyor-General considers the work done by

not work for his Department. different industries carried out in the Gaol, showthe year. Such abstracts have now been preparon hand on 1st January, 1885, on the statements afternoon. Appended is the programme of of officers, who could only refer to their private events:note books, or to their memory. But in most cases, such as that of cakum, no person in the Gaol could tell me what, stock of cakum or junk if any, was on hand on 1st January, 1885. Some of the profits shown in 1885 may therefore be partly due to 1884. The practice in past years was somewhat unbusinesslike. All the money realised by sale of prison labour was shewn as prison earnings, while the cost of material, etc

expenses. In future these accounts will be better 24.—The chief advantage of industrial labour is that an opportunity is afforded of instructing oriminals in trades; the profits realised are incidental and of secondary importance. Reforming criminals to habits of industry is the main object. Industrial labour in Victoria Gaol would be capable of great expansion were space for suitable workshops available. Each convict might be taught a trade before discharge and the profits might be increased so as greatly to reduce the cost of the prison.

25.—A very few remarks will suffice as to the prison industries of the past year. Oakum picking, hitherto not very remunerative, has paid well this year, as, instead of, as previously paying \$70 a ton for the raw material or paper stuff, it has since June' last been pro- Waggott. cured for \$45, while cakum has been sold for the same price as before.

Rattan chair and basket making is a new industry, started in October last. The work is easily taught, convicts take much interest in it. and are anxious to be taught. It seems likely to be remunerative, and could be greatly extended were space available. Coir Yarn.—As old industry and a remuner-

Net making, for the same reason, cannot, be Grass mat-making, shoe-making, carpentering and tailoring are almost entirely confined to work

pense is connected with it: the offices sending the stationery used for their printing. Labour on public works has not been put down as remunerative for reasons already explained. \$360 were paid by the Civil Hospital and Asylvin during the year for washing done in the Gaol. This has now been discontinued; the Hospital washing being done elsewhere. As far as can be ascertained, no profit has been realized by this industry, the cost of fuel, scap, etc., having, it is believed, eaten up the money received, but no accurate account appears ever to have been kept. The prison washing was mixed up with that for Hospital and Asylum. No permanent record was kept of the number of prison clothes washed. The washing for prison officers was likewise mixed up with the other washing, and, to add to all, the fuel used for kitchen and washhouse was not accounted for

separately. The officer in charge of the washhouse on my arrival could barely read and write and kept his notes in pencil hieroglyphics. I had therefore to give up as hopeless the attempt to make out an account of the washing industry for

A proper account is now kept.

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS. . 26.—Having now reported on those points of prison discipline and administration which appear of more prominent interest, all the further observations or suggestions I would desire to sons, where in 1880-81 with an average number having tobacco were reported; an average of 88 offer centre round the one theme, the urgent of 10,297 prisoners, only 5,861 prisoners were per month. In the last six months 175 cases necessity of no longer delaying the building of

the deterrent and reformatory results of Prison punished, committing 18.003 offences or less were reported; an average of 29 per month; or, if a new Gaol, on the recognised principle of sediscipline less efficacions than they are at home. than two per annum per prisoner confined, we we take the last 4 months, 76 cases or an parate sleeping accommodation forevery prisoner Some are inherent in the situation and condi- can hardly fail to draw the conclusion that the average of 19 cases per month. A progressively and ample space for workshops and industrial tions of the Colony; but some are removeable. convicts of Hongkong are a peculiarly turbulent satisfactory result, which will appear still more labour. No deterrent of reformatory efforts can The wealth and prosperity of Hongkong induces and insubordinate class. But this conclusion so when it is added that in the earlier part of meet with appreciable success, in the absence of and the latter got a rather heavy fall at his first the year and summer, the tebacco found in pos- these necessary conditions. But, these conditions failure, which probably did not improve his immediately after the fire Messrs. Pustan & Co.'s He saw nothing in the room which could have session of prisoners often consisted of large once granted, there would be every prospect of jumping powers.

19.—Prison discipline, during the year, of Canton and Macao. In the former the prihas therefore been so far satisfactory, that, soners are treated with a harshness and severity with the exception of the offences of talk- which we could not imitate, but which proves ers by day, when at work and at meals, for want ling and short cakum picking, there has deterrent. In Macao I found the prison far been a gradual but steady diminution less overgrowd d than this Gaol. A portion of of reported prison offences; and of the numbers the convicts there were amployed on public necessitated by the limited prison accom- appeared less liberal than in Victoria Gaol. though I think more in correspondence with the 20 .- In concluding my observations on Gael ordinary living of Chinese coolies. But we canfelt by Western races than those we have to deal as compared with 1884 from 4,784 to 6,473 or discipline, I desire to call attention to the large not, as a civilized and Christian people, treat wanting here. Scholastic and religious in reported during the past year have actually de annex a return showing the number of con- tion to their health and comfort in food and struction there is none for the Chinese prisoners creased all round with the exception of two victious recorded against prisoners in Gaol on clothing, etc. But at the same time it seems due locked up for the night, the buz of conversation | criminals were sent to penal servitude for their | worst of our criminal population; and imprison- | and E. Ray.

519 in 1884 to 2,132 in 1885, a number which 21.—That short sentences passed in associat- vanco of Hongkong in its treatment of crim- place. more than accounts for the total increase of re- ed wards are not very deterrent, I have fair evi- inals. In that Prison there is separate accom- The final heat produced rather a surprise, ports in the year. I append a tabulated state- dence. There are generally in Goal from 20 to modation for 800 criminals (in Hongkong 49). Aitken and Alves being out of it. Dodd and curious to note that silence appears more diffi- erally only a few dollars) for good behaviour. paid. The results, I nederstand, have equalled up third. thefts; the prisoners, crowded together in the find the required security, and remain in Goal | years there has been a steady decrease in the 29.-In the event of the building of a new Gaol being further delayed, I would request Government to take into consideration the advisability of reserving the Victoria Gael for comparisons with the previous year. The practiment but found the security required and left convicts and long sentence prisoners only, removing the short sentence prisoners to some other il these offences to be entered in the offence main together in an associated ward, it seems building. The Victoria Gool could be made to no very great expense for alterations.

30.—It would also. I think, tend to the repression of crime in Hongkong if prisoners who have earned a remission of sentence were, as in England, placed by legislative enactment under the supervision of the Police, so that, if found returning to a criminal career, they might at once be sent back by the Magistrates to prison, to complete their original sentence.

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ATHLETIC SPORTS. Yesterday afternoon the boys of the Hongthese prisoners to be barely, if at all, worth the kong Public School, late St. Paul's College, had extra cost to his Department. I consider the a series of athletic sports on the Cricket Ground. extra food given to the chain-gang to be ex- Until this year it had been the custom for all the cessive, but as this subject is now being con- schools in the colony to combine for a generalsidered by a special Committee ordered by athletic sports meeting. This year, however, we Government, it appears unnecessary to enter believe in deference to the wishes of the boys of into any details. I have every confidence that his school, Mr. Bateman decided to have sports in re-organising chain-gang labour, means for his school separately. With their usual will be found to carry out Public Works energy the boys went round with subscription by prison labour, in a manner more satisfac- lists for prizes, and soon had a large bum coltory to the Surveyor General and myself lected, but many subscribers seem to have put and more conducive to the interests of the down their names under the impression that it Public than has hitherto been the case. was for the usual general school sports. A feel-But I should neglect my duty it I failed to bring ing of considerable dissatisfaction was thus the Prison Authorities have in past times abased | colony. Mr. Bateman, however, seeing there the powers given them of levying costs from the had been some misapprehension, decided to hand Surveyor-General's Department. It bears the over a portion of the amount subscribed for the appearance as if it was wished to coax or bribe other schools to use, and we hear it is intended the prisoners to go on Public Works without in a short time to hold sports for the other gruinbling; for not only was an amount of extra schools. The attendance on the Cricket Ground food passed to them, which in the opinion of the yesterday was not so largess has commonly been present Medical Officer of the prison is much in seen at the Annual Boys' Sports, probably them, not only on wet days, when they did not | and the sports were hardly of so interesting a for second place. go out to work, but also on Sundays, in direct | character as the general school sports have contradiction to the orders of Government (see usually been. In almost all the events there Note to Diet Scale.) The cent per diem sanc- were the same two batches of boys to be seen, tioned as earnings, was also passed to these pri- the representatives of over 13 and under that soners on wet days and on Sundays. . I did not age, and in most of the events in these two classes interfers with the diet, as I had referred that there were the same winners. The oldest boy N. S. Arab, (Capt.) question to Government, but I at once stopped on the ground, a sturdy fellow named Arab, H. Shepherd crediting prisoners with earnings paid by the carried off first honours inevery event he com- R. Powers Surveyor General for days on which they did peted except one handicap, and this was doubtless G. Lobb duo to his extra years in great measure. The sports | A. Wallace 23.—The other industrial work carried out were postponed from Saturday on account of bad E. Lammert in the Gael during the year has been more weather, and yesterday it looked like rain F. Gomes satisfactory. I annex an Abstract showing the again, and actually commenced twice which W. Ray actual profits or savings to Government in nine fortunately came to nothing, and the after- W. Stopani noon turned out fine. Mrs. Lobb was to have G. Fisher ing altogether a profit of \$1,990.74 cents during given away the prizes, but owing to indisposition F. Lammert that lady was unable to attend, and in her absence ed for the first time; they do not quite accurately Mrs. Bateman performed that office. The Band show the transactions of the year because, -no of the 58th Regiment, under Mr. Moran, much industrial stock having been taken at the end of enhanced the pleasure of those present by per-1884-I am dependent for the account of stock forming a capital selection of music during the

> HUNDRED YAEDS, (under 13). Kennett, H. Hayward, J. Machado, J. Alves, E. Alves, W. Ray, W. Stopani, G. Williams, E. Prize Fund. Lammert, A. Wallace, and G. White. There was a very close race, young Orley only beating Lammert by by a very short distance, and the latter being equally closely pressed by the third man. Time, 14 sees.

T. Orley E. Lammert. H. Waggott HUNDRED YARDS, (above 13).

Entries:-R. Powers, R. Hopkins, N.S. Arab R. F. Lammert, V. Dodd, F. Gomes, and S The race was won essily by Arab, the biggetst boy of the lot, by several yards. Time, 11 4/5

N. S. Arab S. Ahmet F. Gomes LONG JUMP, (under 13). Entries: -T. Orley, J. Machado, J. Alves, Alves, H. W. Fisher, W. Stopani, W. Ray,

G. Williams, E. Lammert, A. Wallace, and H. Orley was again a winner in this event after n excellent contest, clearing 11ft. lin. H. Waggott

E: Lammert 600 YARDS, (under 13), Prize presented by Mrs. Marsh.

ative one, can only be worked with one loom for Carvalho, J. Fisher, E. Lammert, T. Orley. out the running soon after starting, but Lam- the amount they claimed. He went on to give an would be disallowed. for Gael purposes, making up Gael clothing, shoes with a long lead. Fisher beat Wallace by several that a policy of insurance was effected for an Denklau was now absent from the colony. yards for second place. The time, 1min. 44-2/5 secs. done for most of the Public offices. No exwas very good.

E. Lammert. J. Fisher. Lone Jump, (above 13)?

7. Gomes, R. Powers, S. Ahmet. Arab distanced the other competitors at his second place. N. S. Arab (15ft. 1in.) V. Dodd (13ft. 6in.)

HIGH JUMP. (under 13).

Entries: -- J. Machado, J. Alves, E. Alves, T. Orley, W. Stopani, H. W. Fisher, W. Ray, E. Lammert, and E. Ray. and Lammert, and the latter, after clearing Sft. leared at his second attempt.

E. Ray (3ft. 73in.) 1 E. Lammert (Sft. 64in.) THEOWING CRICKET BALL (above 13). Entries :-- R. Powers, R. Hopkins, R. F. Lammert, T. Singh, V. Dodd, F. Gomes, N. S. Arab, S. Ahmet, J. Fisher, and R. Piguer. after a good contest Arab put the ball 65 feet and Singh failed to get within two yards of that. N. S. Arab (65 yards) 1

T. Singh (63 yards)

HIGH JUMP. (above 13) Entries-V. Dodd, N.S. Arab, R. Hopkins, 1 Gomes, R. Powers, S. Ahmet. Ahmet and Arab were the best of the entrants S. Ahmet (4 feet 3 inches) 2

27 .- I have visited the neighbouring prisons 220 YARDS, (open). Handicap. Entries-T. Orley, H. Waggott, H. Hayward. . Machado, J. Alves, E. Alves, H. W. Fisher, Piquer with ten yards start ran to the front. and won by about two yards from Powers, with labourers, and the labour exacted from them is rance, misconduct and want of judgment have fourths are owing to the living in association, and clothing, etc., supplied to prisoners there, T. Orley close up and Ahmet only an inch or two which had occurred on these premises, and all produced entries of the transactions. behind the latter. Time, 30 secs. R. Piquer J. R. Powers T. Orley THEEE-LEGGED RACE. Entries: -J. Alves and C. Aitken, J. Carvalho (if we except a voluntary Christian service in kinds, viz, "talking," and "task of oakum short 31st December, 1885. It will be seen that out of to the community and to the prisoners them- and W. Ray, G. Fisher and T. Orley, Frank the Chinese language on Sundays). Instruction picked." The explanation of the increase in a total of 573 prisoners 198 or 35 per cent. have selves that, bound as we feel curselves to treat Lammert and B. Fisher, G. C. Hayward and F.

in trades can, owing to limited accommodation, these two offences is as follows. On taking been previously convicted: This is probably to convicte with a consideration and humanity Gomes, J. Machado and R. Hopkins, W be extended to only a limited number, and the charge of the prison I found the Regulation resonant some extent attributable to light sentences which to the natives of these parts appears Stopani and H. Hayward, N. S. Arab and E. compulsory living in association is only likely to quiring silence to be maintained was not strictly passed on habitual criminals. Many of these re- luxurious ease, we should also adopt those Lammert, G. Lobb and H. Waggott, R. F. result in the moral corruption of many of the enforced, only very noisy talkers at work being turn to Gaol, over and over again, a few weeks means which the experience of England has Lammert and V. Dodd, R. Powers and S. Hayreported. In fact after the prisoners were after discharge. It sooms likely that if such shewn to suffice, for taming and reforming the ward, J. Fisher and G. Williams, G. H. Arab from the associated wards was perfectly audible second offence, such punishment would probably ment on the separate system is the first and In the first heat Aitken and Alves wen well with Lobb and Waggott second. 28.—I have recently had an opportunity of In the second heat Dodd and Mehta won in keys on night duty to enforce silence. This the community from many thefts and much visiting the Prison at Singapore, and could capital style, with Hayward and Powers and not fail to observe how far Singapore is in ad Stopani and Lammert a dead heat in second

> this head during the last two years. It is short periods for want of finding security (gen- warders trained in English prisons, and liberally a good second, and Stopani and Lammert well Dodd and Mohta Powers and Hayward Lammert and Stopani The boys did not run together as entered, but

> > HALF-MILE, (over 13)

were drawn indiscriminately.

N. S. Arab, R. F. Lammert, R. Powers, F. Gomes, V. Dodd, R. Piquer, R. Hopkins, S Ahmet went off with the lead, with Arab and Lammert second: the latter soon dropping into third place. After a lap and half Arab went

ahead, and Piquer took third place. Ahmet gave up, and Arab kept the lead to the finish: accommodate the former class in separation at winning by about eight yards. Lammert pluckily challenged Piquer coming down the straight, and just beat him on the tape by an inch or two. Lammert was considerably younger than the other two boys.

SACE RACE, (open). Entries:—R. Powers, F. Lammert: V. Dodd. W. Ray, T. Orley, W. Stopani, R. Hookins, F. Gomes, J. Machado, N.S. Arab, J. Alves,

E. Lammert, E. Alves, J. Fisher, S. Hayward, herd, H. B. Fisher, R.F. Lammert, S. Ahmet. First heat—Dodd first, Fisher second. Second heat-G. White first, G. S. Hayward

fell again. Fisher got up and once more passed him close to the tape. G. White GIRLS' RACE, 100 YARDS (Handiesp), Prize presented by Mr. E. L. Woodin.

There was a very large entry, and the young ladies being all sizes it was a very delicate task for the handicappers. Miss Marian isses on the part of the plaintiffs. As he under-Hobson soon obtained a good lead, but at the and D'Almada.

M. Hobson AND THE PROPERTY OF THE CONTRACT OF THE PROPERTY OF THE J. Coughtrie ·) dead heat 2 ${f Z}_i, {f D}^i {f A} {f I}$ mada CONSOLATION RACE, 100 YARDS

Entries-Lobb. Fisher. White Williams, F Lammert, Alves, Hopkins, Stopani, and Kennett. excess of the requirements of nature, but this partly owing to the doubtful appearance of the After a good race Lobb won by about a yard and claim furnished by the plaintiffs was fraudulent extra food has from the beginning heen given to weather, and partly to the reasons stated above, half, Fisher beating Lammert by about a yard

> TUG OF WAR. SIDES. -R. Piquer, (Capt.) R. Hopkins J. Machado T. Orley C. Aitken V. Dodd J. Fisher G. C. Hayward N. Mehta

S. Ahmet T. Singh Arab's side had the heavier lot of boys, though one short, and after an obstinate nall of Imin 44secs., they won the contest. There was another event-bowling at the wicket—on the programme, but this was omitted. pressing their thanks to those gentlemen who

> SUPREME COURT. 31st March:

In Obiginal Jusisdiction. Breore the Hon. Sie Grorge Phillippo CHIEF JUSTICE, AND MESSES. H. M.

LEE TING AND OTRERS V. THE FIRE IN-BURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG OF 1877. 89,704,47.

Messrs. Wotton and Descon, for the defence. The case for the plaintiffs having been completed on Saturday, Mr. Francis now opened the case it was for the jury to consider whether the

that there was kerosine oil in it. The second safe.

were the circumstances of that alarm. On the to examining the plaintiffs' books on their 18th October the place was entirely destroyed by. delivery immediately after the fire. The entries fire. Mr. Francis quoted the case of the Queen of purchases from Fatshan and Sun Ui puragainst Baily, 2 Cox's cases, 311, to show where ported to refer to goods delivered a month before, two or three fires occurred in one house before but he observed that the ink was then quite There was a capital contest between E. Ray, its destruction, which were not explained in a fresh, and that the purchases appeared to have Humidity reasonable way, it was tolerably strong evidence been written straight off. 64in., failed at the next jump, which the latter to show that the subsequent fire could not have Inspector Quincey gave evidence to the wardence was tendered of two previous fires having the Mi King shop being given him to execute, occurred-attempts made in the house to set fire and to Ng Fuk and Li King being absent from to the shop and warehouse, although there was the colony at the time. He did not know why no evidence against the prisoner to show that he those warrants had not been put in execution was concerned in those attempts.

His Lordship-Was there any alarm given in Colony. that case?-because in this case the people seem The contest lay between Arab and Singh, and to have rushed into the street and talled fire. of the two cases were not quite the same, but he of the shop a great deal of smoke but no flame, cited the case in question to show that where the There was a bed and some bedding which were master had been charged with setting fire to smouldering. The Chinese there were making

compradore sent to the plaintiffs for the books occasioned the fire. of their shop, and on looking at them he found Lung Kwan was called, but did not appear that at the end of one of the books there were and Chun Kam Chune, a clerk to Mosers. Wetchases made, not in Hongkong, but on the main- ly to be found. land. These entries bore the appearance of Lum Fu, assistant at the Fau On pawnshop E. Ray, W. Stopani, W. Ray, G. Williams, E. having been very recently made, the ink appear- No. 85, Wellington-street, deposed to the plain-Lammert, S. Ahmet, R. Piquer, and J. R. Powers. ing quite fresh, and he called the attention of his tiff Ng Fuk having, a short time before the fire having been very recently made, the ink appear- No. 85. Wellington-street, deposed to the plainmaster to it. Of course the report very soon at the Mi King shop, pawned at his establishreached their ears of the two previous accidents ment a number of pieces of silk, grape, &c. He things considered they deemed it advisable to call | Witnesses were called from four other pawnon the plaintiffs to prove their case. Then in a few shops who also gave evidence as to goods of a days one of the persons employed in the plaintiffs' similar character being pawned at their shops shop, Lung Kwan, came forward and gave informat from the Mi King shop a short time before that tion to Measrs. Pustan & Co. that the fire had house was destroyed by fire. been caused by the wilful act of some of the per- Mr. Francis summed up for the defence, and sons who were themselves masters of the shop. He the hearing was further adjourned to this mornalso informed Messrs. Pustau & Co. that the ing. goods in the shop were of nothing like the value alleged, and that he and others employed in the shop had pawned goods from the stock, for the plaintiffs, and got money for them at the pawnshops a short time before the fire. These statements, or some of them, were confirmed as soon as inquired into. By investigation of the pawnshops it was found that persons connected with the Mi King shop had been pawning silk piece goods, crapes, and the class of articles sold by the plaintiffs a short time before the fire. Vouchers were called for with reference to the four or five suspicious items at the end of this book and in default of payment was sent to gaol for of purchases, which had at once attracted the at. three months. tention of the compradore. The items in question ment showing the monthly offences under 30 prisoners of the criminal class, confined for The greater part of the Gaoi staff consists of Mehta won well with Powers and Hayward were supposed to refer to goods obtained from

Fatshan and Sun Ui, and these places were at least three days' journey distant from Hongkong. Nevertheless what were supposed to be original vouchers, duly and properly stamped, for the purchase of these goods, were sent in within a very few days after they were asked for. On inquiring into the matter, however, the witnesses were told that the vouchers were only copies, al. tez-fa lottery agency, and in default of paying though they were properly stamped as if they were | fine of \$100, was sent to gad for three months. original documents. Inquiries were made by employés of Mesers. Pustau & Co. at Fatshan and for two months is default of paying a fine of \$50. Sun Ui, at the places given as those where the four or five hongs were from which these goods months, in default of paying a fine of \$100, for were obtained, and though the most diligent in- a similar offence. vestigation was made those hongs were not to be found. They had these circumstances before them, possibly many of them were capable of explanation. but with those facts before them Mr. Francis

thought the jury would feel that Messrs. Postan

& Co. were justified, not merely in the interests down. of the Company they represented, but of the public also, in requiring a strict investigation into the circumstances connected with this fire. They applied at the Police Court for warrants against the three persons whom they believed to be the masters of this shop, and on the 18th March warrants were issued. Chung Kan was Quotations are: arrested under one of those warrants, and as the jury had heard, he had been acquitted upon his This year's New Malwa \$520 per picul allce. trial, but Li King and Ng Fuk left the colony. G.C. Hayward, C. Aitken, G. White, H. Shep. and were not to be found when the police looked for them. They remained away from the colony about six months, leaving no address by which they sould be communicated with, and only returned in 1885. It was not until November, 1885, White was leading well in the final when he | that the present proceedings were commenced for | fell, and Hayward and Fisher passed him. The the purpose of enforcing this claim, and the latter also fell, and White went past him but result was that some of the witnesses who were available to the defendants at the time of the fire were not now available, and Lung Kwan, the informer upon whose information Mesers. Pustau & Co. had issued the warrants, had during the last few days vanished entirely. He was here the day before this case came on, but now he was not to be found. The result of this would be that there, would not be sufficient evidence before the jury to justify them in finding that ON PARIS. there was any felonious setting fire to the premstood the law no matter how strong might be to the notice of Government that in my opinion | caused to the pupils at other schools in the finish was fixed pressed by Misses Coughtrie | the suspicion they entertained, they would have to be satisfied that the fire was deliberately caused by some of the masters of the shop for the purpose of defrauding the insurance company—it did not matter whether anyone else had been concerned in doing it. He (Mr. $\hat{\mathbf{F}}$ rancis) might therefore say at once that it would be impossible for him under ${f Telegraphic\ Transfer}$ these circumstances to ask for the verdict of the jury upon these grounds. As to whether the ON SHANGHAL -Bank, at might

there was some evidence, but unfortunately not so strong as it would have been had he been able to produce Lung Kwan; still there were many very suspicious circumstances which might justify the jury in finding that a fraudulent claim had been made. If, however, on his Lordship's. direction they found that the evidence on this point was not sufficiently strong, there was, Union Insurance Society of Cauton, Limitedanother consideration. It was whether under all the circumstances of the case, considering the two previous alarms of fire, and the nature of the information supplied to Messrs. Pustan & Co., and looking at the statements of Lung Kwan, which were already in evidence, and what other evidence there was to support his statements. the suspicious circumstances connected with the purchase of many of the goods, and the state of the books, the circumstances were not such as to lead to grave suspicion as to how the fire was caused, and that there was a frandulent claim made. Though these suspicious might not amount to enough to find for the defendants on either of these grounds, they would justify them in requiring from the plaintiffs very strict and The boys wish to take this opportunity of ex. stringent proofs as to the value of the goods contained in their store at the time it was des-Entries :- T. Orley, E. Ray, H. Waggott, so kindly acted as Starters and Judges in their troyed. If the plaintiffs established their claim sports and also to all who contributed to their they were only entitled to an indemnity of their loss, they were only entitled to recover that amount which they had proved to the satisfaction of the jury they had actually lost by the fire. It seemed to him that the most important question for the jury to consider was whether the plaintiffs had proved to them. satisfactorily that they had lost the amount they claimed-whether they were satisfied that there were \$8,000 worth of goods in the plaintiffs' shop at the time it was destroyed." Although Mr. Denklau, of Messrs. Pustan & Co., was not MEHTA, J. H. Cox, J. A. Moselley, W. now here, there was evidence that there were H. PERCIVAL, W. R. LOXLEY, H. R. H. sbout \$6,000 worth of goods in the shop at the MARTIN, AND A. P. MACE WEN AS SPECIAL I time the policy was issued. There was no reason to doubt the statement of the plaintiffs that during the time their shop was open they had sold rabout \$1,500 worth of goods, and that would leave about \$4.500 or \$5,000 worth of stock remaining on the premises at the time of the fire.

Mr. Leach, isntructed by Mr Ewens for the The question was what had the plaintiffs purplaintiffs: Mr. Francis, Q.C., instructed by chased in the meantime, and what stock was there in the shop at the time of the fire. Under the suspicious circumstances connected with the purchases alleged to have been made at Sun Ui Mr. Francis said the grounds upon which the had been proved to their satisfaction. There was defence was based were threefold. The first no evidence produced whatever of the purchase ground was that the fire was due to the fraudu- of these goods, and of course it was an easy lent action of the plaintiffs for the purpose of matter to make up the books in this way. It obtaining the insurance money. If the jury would have been an easy thing for the plaintiffs were not sufficiently satisfied upon that point to to have called people from the shops they alleged return a verdict in favour of the defendants they they made these purchases from ou the mainland had the next contention to deal with—that the to prove that the goods alleged had been sold and claim which the plaintiffs had made was a fraudu- delivered. There ought at least to be the same Entries:-H. B. Fisher, W. Ray, W. Stopani, lent one. If the jury were not catisfied as to this proof of these sales and deliveries as if it were Alves, E. Alves, A. Wallace, J. Machado, J. also, there was the question for them to consider a claim for goods sold and delivered. In a case whether the plaintiffs had satisfactorily proved of that kind every item claimed of which they Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C-5 per cent There were also two postentries. J. Fisher out | that they were entitled to recover anything like | failed to satisfactorily prove the sale and delivery mert was going well within his powers, and he outline of the history of the Mi King shop from Mr. E. C. Renter, resident partner in Hong. passed him easily in the last round, and won its commencement. He pointed out the fact kong of Messrs. Pustau & Co., stated that Mr.

amount considerably in excess of the property firm were not aware of the two alarms of five on then in the shop at the time it was opened, and the plaintiffs' premises before they were destroythat two months after that policy of insurance ed, and they had discharged the Chinaman whose was effected the shop was burned down; while in daty it was to look after such matters for not the interval there had been no less than two reporting it. They did a large insurance busialarms of fire in the same shop. The first slarm ness in the colony, and it had increased since this of fire occurred on the 30th September, and he fire which showed that the feeling of the public Entries:--V. Dodd, N.S. Arab, R. Hopkins, should call as a witness P.C. Phelps, who would was in their favour upon the matter. In answer state that he ran into the house when the slarm to his Lordship he said Chinese houses were was given, and carried out the burning bedding charged one per cent. more than European first attempt, and after a close contest Dodd won into the street, and he was satisfied at the time houses, as they were not so well built nor so slarm of fire was in the middle of the day on the Mok Yu Tong, compradore to Messrs. Pustau 10th October, and the jury had heard what & Co., gave similar evidence, and he also deposed

been accidental. In the case referred to the evi- rants for the arrest of the supposed masters of

against those two since their return to the P. C. Phelps gave evidence to an alarm of fire at the Mi King shop on the 20th Oother, 1884; he Mr. Francis said he believed the circumstances rushed in and found in a small room at the back

his house it was given in evidence against him no attempt to put out the fire, but a lokang was that two previous and abortive attempts to set fire | there beating it with a bamboo. He picked the to the same premises had been made although lot up and ran out into the street with it. As soon there was no ovidence to connect either of those as he got it into the street it burst into a flame, attempts with the prisoner. As they had heard, and he noticed that it smelt strongly of kerosine.

four or five very considerable entries of goods ton and Descon deposed to having sought for received. The book contained entries of pur- him in vain in all the hannts where he was usual-

POLICE COURT.

31st March.

BEFORE MR. E. MACKEAN.

EXPOSING DISEASED MEAT FOR SALE. Kan Achi, for exposing diseased beef for sale at a stall in the Western Market, was fined \$50,

OBSTRUCTING THE FAIRWAY. Chan Tai Hi, Cheung Chai, and Li Kan, boatmen, were fined \$10 each, in default one month's imprisonment, for making fast to the P. & O. steamer Zambesi while she was underweigh. The fines were paid.

TSE FA LOTTERY. Kung Asik admitted a charge of keeping a Chun Sz. for a similar offence, was sent to gaol Lau Kam Ting was also sent to gaol for three

Li Asing and sighteen others, charged with eneronohing on Crown land at Yaumati, were today discharged, their houses having been pulled

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The Union Line steamer Galley of Lorne left Singapore on the 30th March, and miy be expected to arrive here on or about the 6th April. The E. & A. S. S. Co.'s stenmer Airlie left Port Darwin on the 28th March, and may be oxpected to arrive here on or about the 7th April.

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For Amov and Manila. - Per Zafiro, on Saturday, the 3rd inst., at 4.39 P.M.

For Singapore.—Per Atalinta, on Monday, the 5th April at 4:30 P.M. MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

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